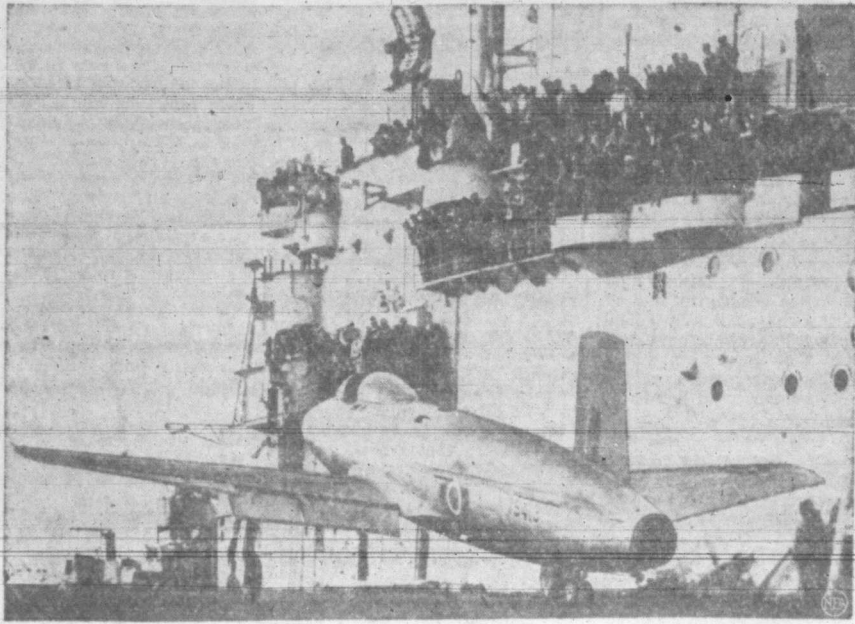


Unified Western Germany Appears Probable

British Jet Fighter Takes Off From Carrier



Marking the first time that a British jet fighter with tail wheel-type undercarriage landed on a ship's deck, a Spitfire plane is pictured during tests in which it successfully took off and landed a dozen times from H.M.S. Illustrious. Looking on are the plane's builders, military and naval observers and members of the carrier's crew.

Hagana Force Surrounds Arab Band; Death Toll In Middle East Now 374

JERUSALEM (AP)—Hagana headquarters at Tel Aviv reported today that a Hagana force had surrounded a unit of Arabs at Yarkona, five miles north of Petah Tikva, and that a pitched battle was taking place.

A spokesman for the Jewish defence forces said the Arab band, which he described as "a

large force," was believed to be a scouting party from the Arab village of Tulkarm.

An official announcement said three Arabs and one Jew wounded in previous incidents died today, bringing the Holy Land death toll to 253 since the decision to partition Palestine on Nov. 29. The death toll for the entire Middle East stood at 374.

In the Yarkona fight, which opened the 17th consecutive day of Arab-Jewish blood-letting, Hagana said the "larger part" of the Arab band had been "destroyed."

In Cairo, the premiers and foreign ministers of the seven Arab states prepared to wind up their "war conference" tonight and said they would issue a statement at the close of the meeting regarding discussions on what help to give to Palestine's Arabs.

Syrian Premier Jamil Mardam Bey was quoted in Cairo dispatches as saying the announcement would be a "decisive" one.

TO RAISE FUND
Reuters' news agency said a Cairo dispatch quoted a newspaper report that Premier Nokrashy Pasha of Egypt had told his cabinet of an Arab League decision not to put regular Arab

forces into the Palestine "fight against Zionism."

According to the report, Nokrashy Pasha said the Arab government had decided to raise an initial fund of £1,000,000 (\$4,000,000) to finance the liberation of Palestine.

The Egyptian cabinet was stated to have approved an Arab League council decision to open recruiting centres for volunteers and give them training, transport and other facilities.

Alberta Welfare Probe Asks Writer

EDMONTON (CP)—Harold Dingman of Ottawa, author of an article entitled "Babies for Export" in New Liberty magazine this week, and Jack Kent Cooke, publisher, have been asked to appear before the Royal Commission appointed by the Alberta government to investigate welfare conditions in the province on a complaint of contempt.

Chief Justice W. R. Howson, chairman of the three-man commission, said he had instructed the commission counsel to send a telegram asking that the two men attend the morning session here Dec. 19.

"It is one of the most scurrilous articles I have ever read, and when I say that I'm speaking for the other members of the commission," he said.

Other commission members are Chief Judge J. W. McDonald of Calgary and Judge E. B. Feir of Lethbridge.

NO ORDER AT PRESENT

Mrs. P. Griffith, secretary of the Alberta Chapter of the I.O.D.E., stated to have authorized publication of excerpts from the I.O.D.E. study report directed by Dr. Charlotte Whitton in the magazine article, appeared before the commission today. She was told that she, Dr. Whitton and the I.O.D.E. provincial executive were subject to proceedings which might be taken by the commission in connection with the publication of the article. However, Chief Justice Howson said no order would be made against her at present.

James Mahaffy, commission counsel, said he had telephoned magazine distributors in Edmonton, Calgary and Lethbridge, asking if distribution of the magazine this week could be stopped. They had all shown extreme willingness to co-operate, he said.

NOT DIRECTLY RELATED

The committee said \$66,000,000 of the amount asked for France was for items not directly related to emergency relief, and so was \$22,000,000 of the Italian request. These items included such things as \$26,000,000 for servicing of the French foreign debt.

The foreign-aid money is in a general appropriation bill which also provides funds for various other government uses.

The total in the measure is \$772,504,000. The amount is 31 per cent below what the administration asked.

The largest reduction was in the fund for army government and relief in occupied areas, amounting to 53 per cent.

The committee cut \$137,000,000 from the army's request for \$237,000,000 for food and relief

in the British occupied zone of Germany and trimmed \$123,000,000 from food and relief estimates for United States-occupied areas in Germany, Japan and Korea.

Posse Closing In On Escapee In Okanagan

PENTICTON, B.C. (CP)—Across bleak, snow-covered hills, a police posse closed in on Russell Spears, jail escapee, today, blocking old cattle trails and roadways to prevent him from reaching the international border.

Sought since Nov. 14 when he escaped from jail here, Spears shot and wounded a provincial police constable Sunday, shooting his way from an isolated trap-ner's cabin in the ranchlands. Constable Robert Mercer is in hospital, recovering from an arm wound.

The hunt today centred 18 miles south of Penticton, where disused cattle trails wind through the hills, and isolated trappers' and hunters' cabins are located. He is believed to have obtained food from some of the cabins.

RIFLE FROM CABIN

Police said Spears is armed with a .22 rifle, possibly taken from one of the cabins.

Indians, with a thorough knowledge of the old trails, guided the searchers, made up of Provincial Police, hunters, trappers and ranchers, and additional police are being rushed to the scene. A detachment of soldiers, which aided police Monday, may be called back during the day.

Spears was awaiting sentence after conviction on a charge of aggravated assault while armed, when he escaped from jail. He had been treated as a trustee.

LATEST

Refunds Pension

VANCOUVER (CP)—A 70-year-old Victoria war veteran, who recently inherited \$20,000, has wiped the slate clean with the Department of Veterans' Affairs. He received a burned-out pension for 10 years and now has repaid it all—a total of \$2,700. His name was not disclosed.

Denies Fortunes Made

WINNIPEG (CP)—President Stanley N. Jones of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange today termed "fantastic and loose" a Halifax report quoting a high agricultural official as saying that "unscrupulous speculators made a \$9,000,000 profit as the direct result of the federal government's decontrol on grain."

Flood Recedes

MISSION CITY, B.C. (CP)—Waters from a flash flood which roared down a mountain side after a break in the Channel Lake dam, were receding today as civic officials started a survey to estimate the damage. Bridges were washed out, roads undermined and several families and workers at two sawmills isolated.

Rising Accident Rate Draws Fire From Police Magistrate

Magistrate Henry C. Hall in city police court this morning voiced concern over the large volume of dangerous driving cases that have been taking place in the city in recent months and was of the opinion that suspension of drivers' licenses appears to be the best answer in doing "something to see that better care is taken by the driving public."

Last month the accident rate on the city streets rose to over 100 individual crack-ups, according to the police blotter, this month's total may equal or even beat that figure. Police are taking stronger action in regard to these accidents by placing dangerous driving charges against motorists, in some cases both drivers involved appearing in court.

"There have been so many cases of negligent driving lately that people seem to be taking gross chances with their lives

Atomic Smasher Gets Atomic Magnet



Workmen assemble the 2,300-ton magnet for the world's most powerful cyclotron at Columbia University's new nuclear physics research centre at Irvington, N.Y. The magnet, which contains more steel than a destroyer, will enable the cyclotron to smash even heavy atoms into 10 to 50 parts with new high energies of 400,000,000 electron volts. The giant magnet is expected to start operating next summer.

Ships Rush To Aid U.S. Army Tanker In North Pacific

HONOLULU (AP)—The U.S. army tanker El Caney—her rudder ripped loose and propeller damaged by heavy seas—was in peril today in the stormy north Pacific, south of the Aleutians.

Ships in the area were going to her aid. The Hawaiian sea frontier reported that the vessel, en route from Yokohama to Seattle with a crew of 45, radioed her first distress call early Tuesday (western Aleutian time) at a point 550 miles southwest of Adak. (Distress messages received in Seattle placed El Caney's position at 458 miles south of Attu, in the Aleutian group. The Coast Guard reported that the Bolster, a navy salvage vessel, was dispatched to the rescue from Adak and the steamship Thomas J. Lyons, in the vicinity, was asked to proceed to the scene and stand by.)

Would Give Names

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Anderson was represented by aides today as willing to turn over to a Senate committee a list of grain market speculators if Congress demands it by resolution.

Johnson Expected Here Tomorrow

Byron I. "Boss" Johnson, British Columbia's premier-elect, will arrive in Victoria tomorrow to begin taking over the reins of government from Premier John Hart.

Mr. Hart, who Monday attended the opening ceremonies at the John Hart Development of the B.C. Power Commission at Campbell River, is also expected to return to Victoria tomorrow.

Victoria-born Mr. Johnson had originally planned to come to Victoria last week following his election as leader of the Liberal party at a convention last week.

No date has been announced for Mr. Johnson to be sworn in as the new premier.

Soviet People Told Ruble Revaluation Just Like Holiday

MOSCOW (AP)—Russia's banks and stores opened today to orderly early morning crowds and began the well-organized exchange of new rubles for old and the sale of food, clothing and other unrationed items at lower prices.

The government newspaper Izvestia proclaimed the occasion with an editorial declaring: "Money reform and the abolition of rationing are ardently approved by all our great people. The Soviet people see in the historical measures of the Communist Party and the government a way toward the further strengthening of the Soviet state and new growth of the people's welfare."

SAYS ALL AFFECTED

Izvestia asserted that the "cheering news on money reform and the abolition of rationing has affected all our lives like a holiday."

It said the new developments would place large new responsibilities on Soviet trade and machinery.

The paper added: "The job now is to organize properly Soviet culture and Soviet trade."

The new currency measures, and extensive price changes on foodstuffs and consumers' goods, still left unchanged one item on the Russian workers' budget—their rent.

Thus it is possible to rent a two-room apartment in this city, with all utilities paid, at little more than 100 rubles a month—the equivalent of about \$20.

History-Making Conference May Set Up Regime

FRANKFURT (AP)—German leaders, sitting secretly here today, prepared for what may be a history-making conference this week-end with British-U.S. authorities.

Out of the conference, tentatively scheduled for Saturday, may grow an interim government for western Germany.

Leaders of the political parties of western Germany, with the exception of the Communists, discussed the break-up of the London conference of Foreign Ministers at a meeting which continued late into the day. They issued a communique "officially recognizing an invitation of the bi-partite control office" to a meeting with Gens. Lucius D. Clay and Sir Brian Robertson, U.S. and British military governors.

The Germans said the invitation had been extended to Dr. Erich Koehler, chairman of the bi-zonal economics council, his aides, and eight minister-presidents of states into the two zones. At this meeting the Allied commanders are expected to tell the Germans just how far they can go in organizing western Germany on a political basis.

American observers, meanwhile, were predicting that the western region would start to take shape as an interim state, union or confederation almost immediately as a result of the breakdown of the London conference.

Heretofore formation of a central political organization in the economically merged zones, which have a combined population of about 40,000,000, has been strictly forbidden.

German leaders, it is understood, will press strongly for some sort of "peace statute" as a corollary to establishment of a unified western Germany. Without such a document, they believe, it would be impossible to reconstruct western Germany or to stimulate any faith among the German people "in democracy or government."

Big 3 Of West Working On Plans

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

LONDON (AP)—Britain, the United States, and France worked today on tentative plans for economic consolidation of western Germany, whose industrial potential may be a major factor in the European recovery program.

Exploratory conversations will begin tonight at a dinner given by Foreign Minister Georges Bidault of France, who told a press conference he would accept a merger of the three zones of western Germany provided it was profitable to France. Bidault said he made the dinner engagement with State Secretary Marshall a week ago.

The informants said Marshall set his staff of German advisers to work early today drafting proposals which he might tentatively advance to Bidault for the merger of the French zone with the British and U.S. zones, now that the four-power organization of all Germany has been ruled out, for the immediate future, at least, by the breakdown of the Big Four talks here.

Bidault held a press conference in which he said there "will be conversations to see where we stand" on western Germany in the near future.

Deputies of the four Foreign Ministers scheduled a meeting for tomorrow to begin what may be their last joint effort to write a treaty for Austrian peace and independence.

Bidault also said he expected to see Foreign Secretary Bevin before leaving for Paris Wednesday night. Talks between Bevin and Marshall also are due.

Bevin is expected to report to Parliament at the earliest opportunity. Britons said he is expected to tell the cabinet tomorrow of the factors leading to the conference breakdown.

The collapse of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' council leaves Europe more firmly and formally divided than at any time since the war ended.

Consolidating For 'Cold War'

On every hand there was belief that the leaders of both sides would take immediate steps to consolidate their positions for the rapidly developing economic and political struggle between Moscow and Washington-London-Paris—the so-called "cold war."

Foreign Minister Molotov left by plane for Russia this morning. He was accompanied by three plenipotentiaries of aides and advisers, including Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinski and Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky, chief of the Russian occupation forces in Germany.

The British press reflected little surprise today over the collapse, but editorial opinion on the development differed widely, one paper calling the end of the

Nanaimo Man Hurt In Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP)—William Watt, 60, of Nanaimo, was critically injured early today when struck by a shunting freight train on the Interurban tracks below the Georgia Viaduct here.

Police believe he fell asleep on the tracks. He was found lying along the right-of-way when the six-car train moved into a siding.

A. G. Phillips, standing on the foot board of the engine, spotted the man in the path of the engine, but the train could not be stopped in time to avoid striking him.

Hospital authorities reported Watt's condition as "poor," but he had shown a little improvement since admittance.

Bonus For Christmas

NEW YORK (AP)—The National Broadcasting Company announced today the distribution to its employees of a Christmas bonus of an additional one-half month's salary. The bonus went out with regular pay cheques.

House Committee Slashes Bill On Foreign Aid Fund

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House of Representatives appropriations committee today made an \$88,000,000 cut in the emergency foreign aid program and slashed from \$490,000,000 to \$230,000,000 a fund the United States army asked for government and relief in occupied areas.

It sent to the House floor a bill providing \$509,000,000 aid for France, Italy and Austria compared with the \$597,000,000 the administration had asked.

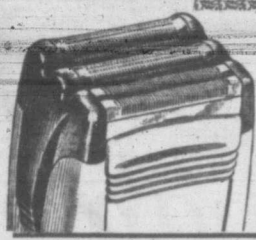
Nothing was recommended for China.

PRESIDENT'S REQUEST

Only Monday, Congress sent to President Truman legislation approving a \$597,000,000 program of help to three European countries and China. The President had called Congress into special session Nov. 17 and asked \$597,000,000 to help France, Italy and Austria get through the winter and resist communism.

The bill sent to the President only gave congressional approval for the idea of aid and set \$597,000,000 as the maximum which could be provided. Separate legislation was required to provide the funds. That is the bill the committee has now recommended.

While the committee recommended no funds for China, it said the \$88,000,000 reduction would leave a reserve for use in China in the event an aid program is begun there.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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An exhibition of the work of the Children's and Junior Creative Arts Classes will open Sunday and continue through Wednesday from 2 to 5 at the Newlyn Studios, 1358 Pandora Ave. near Fernwood Road.

An Ideal Christmas gift. A "Sambo Sprinkler." E 6353, E 5311.

Christmas dinner at Malahat Cottage Inn, Island Drive at Shawanigan Lake Crossroad. Reservations only. Phone Kit Kat Banquet Club. E 0933.

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Chiropractor, W. J. Fraser, D.S.C., 201 Pemberton Bldg. E 3252.

Come and sing at the Second Christmas Carol Festival at the Metropolitan Church on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 16 and 17, at 8 p.m. Different choirs each night. Collection in aid of Solarium and recreation work for children.

I.O.D.E. rummage sale, Public Market, Wednesday morning, Dec. 17.

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Frequently-Migrating Mennonites Plan Move To South America

GOULDSTOWN, Sask. (CP)—Twenty-three Mennonite families will leave this west central Saskatchewan district for a new life on a new continent as soon as they can arrange transportation. Numbering some 90 persons, they will join more than 2,000 from Mennonite communities at Halbstadt and Altona, Man., in a migration that will carry them 6,000 miles to central Paraguay in South America.

Most of them belong to the Sommerfeldt sect, one of the four sects of the Mennonite church whose history has been marked by frequent migrations in search of religious freedom. Some of the migrants came from Russia in the original Mennonite influx into Canada between 1870 and 1872, but most of them are children of the original settlers and were born in Mennonite communities scattered between

Moose Jaw and Swift Current, Sask.

No definite reason for the migration has been given, but such moves are not considered uncommon. Shortly before the recent war a group left the Swift Current area for Mexico. Most of the Gouldstown group have disposed of their property and are ready to leave when transportation and passports are arranged.

The sect originated in Holland in the 17th century and migrated first to Prussia, then to Russia, to escape the bitter persecution that followed it. When they became liable in Russia to military service, which they have always refused on religious grounds, they came to North America.

In South America they plan to establish the same type of communal-farming village they built in the west during the early days of settlement.

Hon. W. J. Tupper Dies At Winnipeg In His 86th Year

WINNIPEG (CP)—Hon. William Johnston Tupper, 85, a former Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba and bearer of one of the most distinguished names in Canadian history, died here today after an illness of several months.

A native of Halifax and graduate of Upper Canada College, Toronto, and the Harvard Law School, he was a son of the late Sir Charles Tupper, one of the Fathers of Confederation and Prime Minister of Canada in 1896.

Appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba Dec. 1, 1934, Mr. Tupper held that office for almost six years. It was a period notable not only in his life but in that of the province as well, for few had more prominently identified themselves with public affairs than he.

Legislators said of him that no occasion was too small and none too great to receive his enthusiastic attention. On his 75th birthday he recalled that in less than three years as Lieutenant-Governor he had officiated at 2,200 public functions, a record he maintained until his retirement.

NATIVE OF NOVA SCOTIA

Mr. Tupper was born in Halifax, N.S. The legal profession honored Mr. Tupper in many ways. He was made a bencher of the Manitoba Law Society in 1915. He retired in 1934 after a three-year term as president. He was made a King's Counsel in 1912.

In 1887 Mr. Tupper married Margaret Macdonald, daughter of the late Chief Justice Macdonald of Nova Scotia. They had two sons, Charles W., practicing law, and Stewart Macdonald. There were three daughters, Mrs. Stanley Harris, wife of a planter in Argentina, and the Misses Kathleen and Edith, Winnipeg.

Commie Goes Down In Rome



Under the blows of police truncheons, a striker (arrow) goes down in thoroughly subdued fashion in the Piazza Colonna, Rome. The skirmish was one of many between police and Communist flying squads which tried to prevent workers from returning to their jobs in defiance of Communist-led general strike. (NEA Radio-telephoto.)

Receives Son's Honors



Forbes Finlayson, 1017 Craigdarroch, traveled to Ottawa to receive the D.F.C. and Bar for his son, the late F.O. C.G. Finlayson, from the Governor-General last week. Mr. Finlayson is shown above wearing the medal. More than 160 serving and ex-service personnel, nearly 100 of them R.C.A.F., received decorations and awards at the two-day investiture.

Claims C.N.R. Debt No Bar To Voice In Setting Rates

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian National Railways' \$44,000,000-a-year debt interest charges should not rule it out as a factor in rate-making, C.N.R. counsel Hugh O'Donnell contended today at the national freight rate inquiry.

Presenting final argument in the railways' case for 30 per cent increases, Mr. O'Donnell was replying to claims of provincial council that the Board of Transport Commissioners should ignore the national line in setting any new rates.

These counsel had held that the C.N.R.'s heavy debt structure and interest charges knocked it out of consideration as a yardstick in setting rates. Mr. O'Donnell said the \$44,000,000 in fixed charges was reported to, and approved by, Parliament each year and had nothing to do with rate-making.

WANT FAIR RATES

The C.N.R. wanted "just and reasonable" rates, he said, and "what the C.N.R. does with the proceeds of these rates is a matter of indifference to this board and of no consequence to the shipper."

The fixed charges have quite a lot to do with the requirements of the railway company, Chief Commissioner J. A. Cross observed.

Mr. O'Donnell replied that what the C.N.R. wanted was a rate that was fair to the value of its service to the shipper and in line with its costs and the valuation of its property.

It wanted, he declared, "reasonable commensurate with its operating costs, which have increased alarmingly since 1939 and are still mounting." If rates were too low, said Mr. O'Donnell, the freight shippers would get a "free ride" at the expense of the taxpayers as a whole.

Auctioneer Sells Out Bennett House

MICKLEHAM, Surrey, Eng. (CP)—The sound of an auctioneer's hammer echoed today through the cream-walled drawing room where the late Viscount Bennett, former Prime Minister of Canada, once entertained his many friends.

Collectors, bargain hunters and dealers from all parts of London converged on the stately hilltop Juniper Hill home of the peer, who died last June, for the start of a three-day sale of the household furnishings. The first day's sale closed with 240 items out of 800 selling for about £8,000 (\$32,000).

One of the books to be sold is a leatherbound volume of "Industry and Humanity" by Prime Minister King, Lord Bennett's political opponent during the early '30s.

MacArthur Scores In Jap Popularity

TOKYO (AP)—Gen. MacArthur polled more votes than Emperor Hirohito or a Japanese Communist in balloting among high school students as to whom they respected most.

The poll was conducted at Iizuka School, in Fukushima prefecture north of Tokyo. The Supreme Commander received 332 votes, Hirohito 328, and Kyulchi Tokuda, Secretary-General of the Japanese Communist Party, 141.

Prime Minister Tetsu Katayama received 40.

Communism, Motor Problems, Optimism Discussed In Talk

A review of United States action in Greece to combat communism, a plea for a little more optimism in the world and a glimpse of things to come in the automotive industry was given the Gyro Club Monday by Archie Wills, managing editor of the Victoria Times, in a three-point address to his fellow club members on his findings during a recent trip to the east, including attendance at the Managing Editors' Convention of the Associated Press in Detroit, Mich.

Dealing first with the situation in Greece, Mr. Wills noted it was a surprise to many people when the United States moved into that country with money and military aid to relieve the crisis and combat the guerrillas.

"At the convention we were addressed by a U.S. representative who made an investigation for the state department and he made it clear what was behind the move into Greece. It was brought home to us that Greece was the place where the spread of communism had to be stopped."

The resistance to communism put up in Greece has had an effect on many European countries—especially France and Italy, Mr. Wills noted.

Broadening his remarks to include the world situation, Mr. Wills noted many people were displeased and disturbed over conditions. "However," he declared, "there have always been certain groups forecasting calamities or waiting for the end of the world."

MASS PRODUCTION

Mr. Wills told the club of repercussions by the "champions" of the automobile industry.

In an effort to show the meaning of mass production, the speaker told of visiting one of the large plants operated by Henry Ford II.

"One of the buildings was one mile long and had the assembly line 1,000 feet long. They put a frame on one end of that line and the completed car came off the other end in 55 minutes," he said.

Mr. Wills dealt with facts presented by the presidents of Ford and General Motors and Chrysler. Among other things, it was noted it will take two or three years before supplies of new automobiles meet up with the demands in the United States.

It was also stated that automotive engineers could turn out automobiles of any shape but that it had been found the present position of the motor was the most practical.

Mr. Wills dealt at length with the new high compression engine developed by Charles Kettering, the inventive wizard of General Motors.

The speaker was introduced by R. A. Lipsey and thanked by Bud Hocking.

World's Biggest Fruit Firm Sold

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Purchase by the Cummings Corporation of San Francisco of the capital stock of Rosenberg Bros. & Co., world's largest processors and packers of dried fruits, for approximately \$18,000,000 was announced today.

There will be no change in management, policies or personnel of the Rosenberg company, said a joint statement by Nathan Cummings, president of the Cummings Corp., and Arthur C. Oppenheimer, president and general manager of Rosenberg.

Oppenheimer remains as general manager and becomes chairman of the board, while Cummings assumes the presidency. Cummings said that for all practical purposes the purchase was made to broaden his corporation's financial holdings.

Rosenberg Bros., founded in 1893, has 15 packing houses and mills in California and Oregon. Warehouses are in Washington, Oregon and California.

Native Son Passes



Geoffrey Crawford Bagshawe, native son of Victoria, who died in Vancouver last Sunday after a short illness at the age of 44.

A.F.L. Tries To Get Lewis' Miners Back

WASHINGTON (AP)—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, pledged today that A.F.L. leaders will "do all within our power" to bring John L. Lewis and his United Mine Workers back into the Federation.

Lewis pulled his 600,000-member union out of the A.F.L. last Friday in a curt, crayon-scratched "We Disaffiliate" note to Green.

Green's reply, not an answer to Lewis but a statement to the press, said the membership "sincerely regrets" the U.M.W. divorce action. He termed it a boon to labor's "enemies."

Comet Sighted In North Hemisphere

CHICAGO (AP)—Astronomers at McDonald Observatory, Fort Davis, Texas, reported Monday they had observed for the first time in the northern hemisphere the comet first seen flashing across southern hemisphere skies last week.

Gerard P. Kuiper, McDonald Observatory director, in a telegram to the University of Chicago, joint operator of the observatory with the University of Texas, said the comet was observed at McDonald at 8:11 p.m. E.S.T. Sunday.

The comet has not yet been identified.

Dr. J. A. Pearce, director and Dominion astrophysicist at Observatory Hill, Saanich, said the comet is too far south and too faint to be observed from Victoria.

Detective Who Arrested Crippen Dies At 84

WORTHING, Sussex, Eng. (Reuter)—Walter Dew, 84, former Scotland Yard chief inspector who in 1910 made crime history by using radio for crime detection for the first time in the murder hunt for wife-poisoner Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen, died today.

When Crippen fled to Canada on the liner Montrose, a dramatic exchange of radio messages led to the liner slowing its course to enable Dew to overtake it in another ship and make the arrest.

Earthquake Felt In Southwest U.S.

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Short and fairly sharp earthquake tremors were felt in Los Angeles early today.

The California highway patrol said the earthquake occurred at 1:03 a.m. P.S.T. They received no reports of any damage.

There was a rattling of windows and shaking of household furniture. Several who felt it said it lasted only a "second or so."

MEMPHIS (AP)—What apparently was a mild earth tremor shook parts of this city and sections of southeastern Tennessee, northeastern Arkansas and northwestern Mississippi Monday night. No damage or injuries resulted.

Boy, 12, Confesses To Killing Sister He 'Never Liked'

LAS ANIMAS, Colo. (AP)—A 12-year-old Las Animas youth who "never liked" his sister, Monday night signed a confession he shot her to death with a rifle as she sat in the living-room of their home, Sheriff L. E. Brookshire reported today.

He said the boy, Jimmy Melton, confessed he had pumped five slugs from a .22 calibre rifle into his sister, Phyllis Marie, 16, because "she was always nagging me about bringing in the fuel."

Officers found the body of the girl in the basement of the Melton home after the youth had run from the house to tell Police Chief M. L. Cline "two strange, masked men" had entered the house and "knocked me out."

Authorities became suspicious when he showed no sign of having been struck and when they found the weapon believed used in the shooting in a closet at the Melton home.

Several hours after he had reported the "strange men," Jimmy broke down and confessed he had slain his sister "because I never liked her, anyway," Brookshire said.

The sheriff said Jimmy, a thin, undersized youth, told him he had stayed away from school all day planning how to do away with his sister. She sat on a divan, looking at snapshots. He went into another room and got the gun.

Then, he told the sheriff, he fired a shot which struck her in the shoulder. He said no words were exchanged and he fired the shot without warning. She slumped to one side and he went in front of her and fired a shot through her forehead. He fired three more times. Then he dragged the body into the basement and left the house.

Equipment Blamed In Hippa Is. Wreck

SEATTLE (AP)—Henry H. Wolfe, second mate and navigator of the U.S. army transport Clarkesdale Victory, testified at a Coast Guard hearing Monday that faulty operation of the radio direction finder and fathometer prevented obtaining accurate bearings before the vessel grounded on Hippa Island three weeks ago.

Forty-nine of the crew of 53 lost their lives when the vessel broke apart in heavy seas off the west coast of the Queen Charlotte.

Wolfe said he turned on the fathometer just before the vessel struck, but there were so many "pips" that it was impossible to determine which sounding was the correct one. He said the device's oscillator was installed in a position where it was affected by the turbulence of the sea when the vessel was lightly loaded. Wolfe explained the vessel had cargo of only 200 tons.

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Jailbreaker Shoots Way Through Posse

PENTICTON, B.C. (CP)—A police posse of 25 armed men Monday hunted Russell Spears, who escaped from jail here Nov. 14, and who is reported to have shot and wounded Constable Robert Mercer late Sunday when he blasted his way from an isolated cabin south of here. Mercer suffered a wound in the left arm.

Spears, awaiting sentence on a charge of aggravated assault when he escaped from jail, is believed to have hidden out in isolated cabins on a ranch in the Okanagan Falls area, nine miles south of here.

He was surrounded by a police posse Sunday, but late in the day made a break for freedom, firing a .22 rifle as he emerged from the cabin.

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Sweepstake Winner Repays Kindnesses

TORONTO (CP)—Monday was "payoff" day at the boarding house where Fergs Garvey and George Hester live—and their landlady, Mrs. Josephine Hourigan, was in on it to the tune of \$10,000 and a brand new washing machine.

It began with Garvey, 39-year-old former rubber worker, casually handing a certified cheque for \$50,245 to Hester, Romanian-born, 64-year-old pants presser.

It represented half of the \$100,499 Garvey received for his winning Irish Sweepstakes ticket in the recent Cambridgeshire Handicap. Hester bought a half share in the ticket for \$1.25 from Garvey last September.

Earlier in the day, Hester transferred \$10,000 to his landlady's account because — "she kept me rent-free for six months in 1937 when I was out of work." The washing machine was given her by Garvey.

Foreign Aid Bill Sent To Truman

WASHINGTON (AP)—The \$597,000,000 emergency foreign aid bill was sent to President Truman Monday. Approval by the House of Representatives completed congressional action on the measure providing winter relief for France, Italy, Austria and China.

The Senate had passed it earlier in the day.

The bill does not specify the amounts of aid each country will receive.

Republicans Fail

WASHINGTON (AP)—Embattled Democrats defeated Monday a drive to ram through the House of Representatives "as is" a Republican substitute for President Truman's anti-inflation program.

Not a single Democrat voted for it.

Republicans amassed a 202 to 188 vote for their "voluntary action bill," but a two-thirds majority was required for passage under the Republican procedure which would have barred all amendments.

Broken-Hearted Mother Dies As Husband, 3 Sons Killed



Mrs. Elmo Howey died of shock on Friday after learning of the deaths of her husband and three sons when their truck came into collision with a train at a level-crossing near Tillsonburg, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Howey are seen here with James, 15; Bill, 13; George, 9, who were killed; Kenneth, 11, critically ill in a London hospital; Mary Lou, 7, injured.



Wrecked truck is examined by Provincial Constables Burt Moore of Tillsonburg and William Welheiser, Staffordville, Ont. The accident occurred at a C.P.R. crossing six miles south of Tillsonburg, when Mr. Howey was taking his sons to school.

British Commons Honors Baldwin

LONDON (Reuter)—The government Monday observed the tradition that the House of Commons adjourn for one day on the death of a former Prime Minister—in this case the late Earl Baldwin, Conservative, who died Saturday night.

Prime Minister Attlee, moving the House adjourn until Tuesday, described Baldwin as "a typical Englishman" and said: "I was for many years his political opponent, but always regarded him with respect and affection and enjoyed those friendly personal relations which we cherish in our political life."

Other tributes were paid by the leaders of all political parties in the House, including William Gallacher, Communist.

Deny B.C. Amateur Boxers Getting Pay

VANCOUVER (CP)—Charges that amateur boxers in British Columbia are receiving payment for their fights was denied Monday by top Amateur Athletic Union officials.

"We have no evidence to support such a claim," said Bob Osborne, provincial branch president.

The charge was made by Len Robertson, secretary of the A.A.U. branch, who was quoted as saying:

"Promoters have been paying the headlines of boxing bouts in an effort to get the boys out. We have known about it, but only received proof recently."

Blackie Bengert, chairman of the B.C. Amateur Boxing Commission, also denied the charge. "We feel the statement of Mr. Robertson's is very unjust."

News Of The Island

Proper Wharf Lights Sought At Nanaimo

NANAIMO — Installation of proper lights at the government assembly wharf here was asked by Nanaimo city council at its meeting Monday night.

Council members said present lighting conditions were a "disgrace" at the wharf. They added that at present as much lumber is being shipped from the Nanaimo wharf as from Alberni.

It was agreed to endorse a petition which is being circulated in the city, asking the Dominion government to blast out a rock near the north end of Cameron Island, which recently caused damage to a C.P.R. vessel to the extent of \$100,000. It was pointed out that, as all mining underneath the water at this point had ceased, work could now be done, and blasting operations would not endanger the lives of miners.

Commissioner



William F. Grosskleg, the first elected commissioner of Lake Cowichan in 1944 when the village was incorporated, was re-elected by acclamation for a three-year term.

Retiring Chairman Honored At Ganges

GANGES—Gavin C. Mouat, retiring chairman of the Salt Spring School Board, was honored at a banquet in Harbor House Hotel, attended by teachers of the Ganges and Beaver Point Schools, inspector and members of the incoming and outgoing board.

Tribute to the work Mr. Mouat had done for the advancement of education in the district, was paid by S. P. Corbett as he presented a desk fountain pen set to the retiring chairman. J. B. Foubister, principal of the Ganges School, spoke on behalf of the teaching staff.

Inspector J. E. Brown congratulated the district on its selection of teachers and school board members and spoke highly of the work of Mr. Mouat. Mr. Mouat thanked all those with whom he had been associated.

Cowichan Teachers Ask 20% Increase

DUNCAN — An across-the-board increase of 20 per cent on present salaries has been asked of the trustees of School District 65 by the Cowichan District Teachers' Association.

The requested increase would amount to an additional \$22,500, or approximately \$400 a year per teacher. The matter was left for the incoming board to deal with. Request from Cowichan and Glenora for transportation for high school students of Grades 9 to 12 was also referred to the incoming board.

A report on overcrowding at the Koksilah School was given by Senior Principal R. M. Lendrum. He told the meeting that additional rooms had been opened at Cobble Hill and Sylva to relieve overcrowding there.

School Concerts Thursday At Sooke

SOOKE — Milne's Landing four-room high school at Sooke will present a Christmas entertainment at the High School Thursday afternoon.

Sooke elementary four-room school will hold a concert in Sooke Community Hall, Thursday evening, Dec. 18, at 8, when plays, songs, Scandinavian dances and carols will be presented.

Langford Party

LANGFORD — Pupils and pre-school age children of Langford have been invited to a Christmas party in the Community Hall, Thursday night from 7 to 10.

90 At White Gift Sunday At St. David's

CORDOVA BAY—More than 90 Sunday School pupils of St. David's-by-the-Sea attended matins Sunday to observe "White Gift Sunday," by presenting white wrapped packages to Rev. C. B. Price, priest-in-charge.

The gifts are for children in northern districts of Saskatchewan. The ceremony was under direction of the superintendent, K. M. Lewis, and the teachers.

Russians Launch Attack On Human Rights Bill

NEW YORK (CP)—The New York Times said in a Geneva dispatch today that "a full-scale Russian attack" on efforts by the United Nations to implement by enforcement a bill of human rights developed Monday during a meeting of the U.N. Human Rights Commission. Russian delegate Alexander Bogomolov assailed a working party's recommendation for a special court of human rights as a "dangerous and fantastic idea incompatible with the sovereignty of states," the dispatch said.

F.B.I. Agents Quiz President Of C.I.O.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The C.I.O. News in Monday's issue reported that Federal Bureau of Investigation agents recently questioned C.I.O. president Philip Murray, personally, about political articles in the publication.

No precise date was given in the editorial. It said F.B.I. agents first visited the editors of the paper, Allan Swim, "late last summer," and came to see him again several weeks later.

After "more time" had elapsed, the paper said, federal agents came again, asking to see both Swim and Murray.

In each case, the C.I.O. publication reported, questions revolved around the July 14 issue, which carried a Murray statement endorsing Judge Ed Garmatz of Baltimore, candidate in a special congressional election.

On each occasion, the C.I.O. News said, the agents were advised that the organization was anxious to get a court test of the Taft-Hartley law section dealing with political activity by union newspapers.

Telegraph Strike Deadline Dec. 23

WASHINGTON (AP)—American Federation of Labor unions in the Western Union Telegraph system Monday set 6 a.m. E.S.T. Dec. 23, as the hour for beginning a country-wide strike if one is called.

Union officials said a United States-wide strike vote, although not yet complete, was showing the 50,000 union members to be 90 per cent in favor of the strike.

The union said its representatives would attend a conference in Philadelphia tomorrow called in hope of settling the wage dispute.

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WHAT NEXT?

RUSSIA'S ATTITUDE AT THE LATEST meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers—the "Big Four"—has differed little from that which her spokesmen have pursued in the General Assembly of the United Nations and at the gatherings of the Security Council. The behavior of the Molotov-Vishinsky-Gromyko trio has resembled that of the ignorant lout on the corner lot who refuses to play unless he can be captain of the village team. He detests this trait in allegedly normal individuals; but with the future peace and progress of the world at stake, its manifestation by the high officers of a great and proud state of nearly 200,000,000 souls is a sad and highly-disturbing portent.

While comment in British newspapers on the failure of the "Big Four" to reach any concrete decision on the future economic unification of the former German Reich is both gloomy and guarded, perhaps the London Daily Herald reflects the sentiment of a substantial body of public opinion when it calls the collapse of the conference a "world tragedy," and quite properly argues that "nothing is gained by evading the fact that its failure has been caused by the intransigent attitude of Mr. Molotov." As the recognized mouthpiece of British Labor and the Attlee administration, the journal in question may be a little lugubrious in its description of the abortiveness of the conference as a world tragedy—though it could prove to be just that—but when it places the blame squarely on the shoulders of the Soviet Foreign Commissar, it does not err.

It was fairly obvious at the outset to those who had followed the Russian technique from San Francisco to Hunter College, to Lake Success and to Flushing Meadows that the Kremlin would do its utmost to capitalize on the frustration following in the wake of the war's aftermath. The virtual revival of the Comintern under another name indicated plainly that, for example, Molotov and Company would hesitate to agree with the western democracies on any stabilizing international policy as long as there remained the slightest likelihood that France's Maurice Thorez and Italy's Palmiro Togliatti could be relied upon to continue to beat the Communist drum in those two key political entities. Well may the governments in Paris and Rome wonder to what extent the failure of the London conference will influence the future of their respective internal economic and political fortunes. The outlook is far from cheerful.

In view of the foregoing, therefore, it remains to be seen how the three great democratic powers—Britain, France and the United States—will proceed in their desire to unify that part of western Germany over which they have joint jurisdiction. It is nevertheless essential that the 40,000,000 Germans west of the Russian zone should receive some assurance, and quickly, that they will not be caught up in any new spread of the ideological wave which the Kremlin's high-powered generators set in motion soon after the San Francisco Conference.

The frontier of a possible buffer state would begin in the north at Hamburg, extend southward through central Germany to Frankfurt-on-the-Main, thence eastward to the western boundary of Czechoslovakia. In this is the political and economic prospect. Hopes for a peaceful solution will depend largely on prompt action—coupled with the translation of the "Marshall Plan" into the provision of food for France and Italy with all possible expedition. To stymie Thorez and Togliatti conceivably may be the corner-stone of the "Big Three" technique.

TOJO ON SELF-DEFENCE

SIX YEARS AND NINE DAYS AFTER Japan sent bombs cascading down on units of the American fleet in Pearl Harbor and blew the United States into active war, Hideki Tojo, 62-year-old former general, Premier and war minister of Japan has announced in brief his plans for defence before the Allied War Crimes Tribunal. He seeks, "first, to convince the world that Japan fought in self-defence; second, to prove that the idea of a Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere is an absolute necessity for improvement in the Orient; and third, to make certain that no blame attaches to the Emperor."

The man generally associated with the so-called sneak attack has assembled his points in a descending order of difficulty as far as proof is concerned. Few in the civilized world care greatly about the little figure who once was called the Son of Heaven and was an object of worship, but who now appears in pictures as an unrepentant Japanese not quite comfortable in occidental clothes. If there is blame attached to his part in the war, it is generally regarded as the type of guilt thrust upon him by his advisers. On the question of a Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere, one point stands out above all others. The

type of co-prosperity Japan sought to establish by the war has resulted in the impoverishment of millions on that continent. But when Tojo seeks to convince the world that Japan fought in self-defence, he has tackled a problem that calls for the ultimate in legalistic genius. We anticipate argument that will make Alice in Wonderland appear a masterpiece in logic.

WORTHY RECORD

OPERATIONS OF THE B.C. POWER Commission have developed into "big business," according to figures revealed yesterday by Mr. Hart in the course of opening the new Campbell River development. Gross revenues of the publicly-owned electric power authority will be about \$2,000,000 this year, the Premier said, and an expected surplus of \$500,000 would later be used to reduce service costs in certain districts. The \$10,000,000 undertaking up-island and a further \$4,500,000 hydro-electric plant to be constructed at Whatshan Lake, in the Arrow Lakes area, will add considerably to the Commission's holdings.

Designed primarily to provide electric power for rural users and industries, old and new, the commission has made rapid strides since its inauguration in the summer of 1945. More than 26,000 consumers representing 100,000 residents in 18 districts throughout the province, now obtain their electricity from commission facilities. Six new generating plants have been placed in operation, five others have been reconstructed, and more than 30 miles of line for rural service has been installed. This is an achievement in little more than two years that reflects great credit on those responsible. Like water supply, the provision of electric power is a public service that falls naturally within the governmental orbit. The Commission will have the full support of all who seek to encourage development of British Columbia's vast power resources.

JOINT TRAINING

THE EXPERIENCE OF THE LAST WAR showed the necessity for close integration of the activities of the three armed services on land, on the sea and in the air, and it may be assumed that future programs of defence for this country will be built around the concept of such intimate co-operation. In line with this view is last week's announcement that Canada's two officer training establishments—Royal Military College at Kingston and Royal Roads, at Esquimalt Lagoon—will henceforth be operated as "schools" for army, navy and air force cadets. Kingston has been predominantly a military college, while Royal Roads, which opened during the war as a training school for future commissioned officers of the Royal Canadian Navy, has latterly provided courses also for prospective R.C.A.F. officers. The introduction of army officer-candidates to the college class rooms here will widen the scope and possibilities of the work. The two institutions will now be known as the Canadian Joint Services Cadet Colleges.

The condition of the world is not yet such that a peace-loving nation can safely take refuge in pacifist ideals. Until global action through the joint efforts of all countries makes world war impossible—and representatives of this Dominion have been in the forefront of those who have urged the early implementation of such a step—a body of men who are qualified by selection and training to undertake the defence of Canada is an indispensable national asset. Such a body will be the product of the two colleges. Graduates will be required to serve as reserve or full-time officers in the service of their choice, which means that many of these well-schooled specialists will be available for the peace-time pursuits of the Dominion, while still providing a source of trained leaders if needed for defence.

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL TREAT

THE AMBITIOUS AND ORIGINAL nature of the program planned by the Victoria Symphony and its associated choir for St. John's Church a week from tonight commands the interest of this community's music lovers and will doubtless be accorded the patronage it deserves. The newness of the event, in which works of the masters have been assembled for a particularly appealing presentation of Christmas music, demonstrates the enterprise of an organization which is constantly adding to its roster of friends and admirers.

The narration arranged for Rev. George Biddle and the supporting selections of the organist, Mr. Frederick Chubb, will doubtless add cohesion to music of proven merit, which will be made the more attractive by the continuity so furnished.

NEW CANADIANS

ONE CANNOT REPRESS A SMILE IN speculating on the hurt feelings of those two distributors of Communist pamphlets who were beaten by 59 Ukrainian immigrants en route to Timmins, Ont., to work as miners. At every station on the trip north, Communist workers had met the train and attempted to distribute their literature. Finally the Ukrainians could stand it no longer. This was just the doctrine they had come to Canada to escape. Already feeling their newly-found freedom, they laughingly gave two of the Communist agents a drubbing and threw them off the train. It was not strictly democratic procedure—but it must have been very satisfying.

Walter Lippmann

LIMIT OF COMMUNIST EXPANSION

LAST WEEK THE United States House of Representatives received a report from its Committee on Foreign Affairs which said that "the Communist hope of early victory in western Europe through legal, democratic politics is dead for years to come," and that unless the Communists can succeed in "a violent strike for power in France and Italy, then for the time being the limits of Communist expansion after World War II have been set for the Western World." The events in France have confirmed this conclusion, and while there is still uncertainty about Italy, the indications are that it will also be confirmed there.

The question then is whether "a violent strike for power"—which has not yet been attempted—could succeed if it were attempted.

THE ANSWER IS, I believe, that the local Communists cannot seize power against the majority of the people unless the national forces—the police and the army—have first been disposed of. They must either have subverted the police and the army, which obviously they have not done in France and probably not in Italy either, or they must have the support of foreign troops to crush the national resistance.

That is to say: if the Red Army cannot cross Germany and enter France, the local Communists cannot seize power by violence, and may not, since they know what the result would be, attempt such a suicidal adventure. And if Tito's army cannot enter northern Italy, a swift and successful seizure of power is in the highest degree improbable. Barring his open intervention, the worst that is to be feared in Italy is civil strife of a guerrilla kind supported by infiltration and the smuggling of contraband from Yugoslavia. But this would be met, of course, by energetic support of the Italian government in the form not only of release from the disarmament clauses of the peace treaty, and the supply of arms but also by direct diplomatic action, backed by Allied power, in Belgrade and in Moscow.

IF THE estimate of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs is correct, then Russia has lost the cold war in western Europe. That is to say, it cannot dominate western Europe by waging the cold war. To dominate western Europe it must invade western Europe, and must fight a real war.

That is where the United States comes into the picture. Why is it that the Red Army cannot cross Germany and invade France in order to support the French Communists? Not because General Clay's four divisions can stop the Red Army. Not because the United States could land enough troops in France quickly enough to stop the Red Army at the French frontiers. But because the Kremlin knows that if it overwhelmed American troops in Germany and invaded France, which it could almost certainly do, the United States' reply would be the kind of war which she waged against Japan after it overwhelmed Bataan.

THE UNITED STATES would no more seek a decision in France, in Germany, in Trieste, in Greece than she sought a decision in China or the Netherlands Indies. She would seek it in Moscow, in the Ukraine, in the Caucasus—in the heart which is vulnerable to her particular kind of military power, whereas the heart of America is at present, and will be for the duration of this diplomatic struggle, invulnerable.

These are the strategic conditions which enable the United States, as long as she maintains her power and manages it wisely, to say with confidence that Russian communism can extend no further, and that eventually it will have to recede. But American diplomacy must conform to this strategic position.

AN EXAMPLE of how by misunderstanding her position the United States could get into trouble was provided last week by Representative John Lodge, of Connecticut. Mr. Lodge implored the President to disregard the Italian peace treaty and to keep troops in Italy for the purpose of protecting Italy against the Russians and the Yugoslavs. Though Mr. Lodge's intentions are no doubt of the best, his practical advice is not. For the handful of troops in Italy do not protect Italy. What protects Italy is the total power of the United States and its Allies. To have kept the troops there in violation of the treaty would not have strengthened the Italian government but would, on the contrary, have weakened it. It would have made Italy another Greece. It would have reduced the Italian government to the status of a puppet of a foreign power and deprived the Italians of the self-respect and self-confidence which they must have (and in fact do have) to maintain their independence and national existence.

MR. LODGE IS ONE of those who have not yet understood that the way to contain Russia is by the strategic employment of American power, not by local, tactical interventions all around the periphery of the Soviet Union.

These local interventions—in Korea, in China, in Greece, and in Turkey—have all turned out badly. They have cost American money, which has been wasted, and they have cost the United States prestige, which she needs to conserve. Of them it can be said truly that they are Operation Rathole, and even Operation Bear-by-the-Tail. For in these operations, once engaged, there is no decision and no end. But the United States had to hold on because there is no way of letting go. Copyright, 1947, New York Herald Tribune Inc.

Starvation Fare



Pantomime—Ancient And Time-Honored

By FRANK BIRCH in London Calling

PANTOMIME IS by now an ancient and time-honored institution, and the longer things last in England, the greater the affection, loyalty, and tolerance they come to command, even when as in the case of pantomime and the House of Lords they have, in the course of time, changed out of all recognition, both in form and in function.

OLD RITUAL

And though form and function change, a lot of the old ritual always remains. You have to work in pantomime to realize fully how ritualistic it is. I remember one in which the producer had built up a new and original, and very effective entrance for the horse; but the horse objected—both ends of it objected. They had played pantomime animals all their lives, and their fathers and forefathers before them for many generations, and that was not the proper entrance for the horse. It would be almost sacrilegious for the horse to enter like that.

They were like priests, those two men, tall and gaunt, never smiling, and pantomime was their cult. Their skin—I mean the horse's skin, of course—they tended like a sacred relic. It, too, was hereditary.

There has been pantomime in this country for two-and-a-half centuries, and in every decade of

those 250 years some quite reputable people were saying that pantomime was dead—or dying, and still more were complaining that it was not as good as it used to be. Pantomime, like Punch, never is. But these criticisms seem to me rather silly.

Pantomime changes imperceptibly to keep step with public taste, and old people tend to resent the changes that keep pantomime alive. It was of foreign origin, but in the course of two-and-a-half centuries the foreign element has been chewed up, digested, absorbed, and finally ejected, so that now you meet only a rarely faint trace of it, when there is a Harlequinade tacked on at the end. In short, pantomime has become wholly and typically English.

SUBLIME AND RIDICULOUS

The whole thing, in fact, is a hotch-potch; and such a hotch-potch is, I think, only tolerable to the English—especially the mixture of the sublime and the ridiculous. In point of fact, this showing of both sides of the coin, the noble and the ignoble, is in the true tradition of our classical drama. In Shakespeare's Henry IV, for instance, Hotspur utters the noblest sentiments of chivalry which Falstaff dissipates in alternate scenes.

To foreigners, this fusion of

heroics with foolery and the burlesque it leads to seem discordant and in-bad taste. It is contrary to their classical tradition. Notice, too, that the story of pantomime is a success story; everyone finds his wish-fulfilment, and all the ingredients are sublimated to give joy to all and offence to none.

And virtue, too, is triumphant in pantomime. The deserving poor become revolvings rich; the wicked either reform or perish. Moreover, the villains are so transparently, even candidly, sinister, that we in the audience are not taken in for a moment; the wickedness of their henchmen is just naughtiness, not vice; and the horrors of the giant's den are so fantastical that even the most timid child can indulge in a purely pleasurable thrill.

A PURIFICATION

It seems to me that the performance of pantomime's traditional ritual, the enacting of the old story by the stock characters according to time-honored conventions, the communion between stage and audience, the wholehearted surrender, something simple and elementary but fundamentally lovable, produces in the audience—and, speaking for myself, I would say often in the actor, too—a purification of the emotions and of the spirit.

Gateway Of The North

Excerpts from P. H. Pickett's Article in the Atlantic Guardian

SIX YEARS AGO Goose Bay, Labrador, wasn't the least bit important—even on the map. Then it was a forest of trees and grass and berry patches visited only by the nearby Groves and Michelin families. Today, Goose is the site of one of the world's main airports, transformed in the short space of three years, under the stress of wartime emergency, from forest and swamp to its present important position.

When World War II broke out, in order that planes and other war materials could be delivered to Britain as quickly as possible it was necessary to have an airport in such a position as to provide good weather for flying and a link with the American bases in Greenland and Iceland. But possibly the most important reason for the establishment of a northern base was to check Hitler's move to invade North America.

Bold Experiment

Winnipeg Free Press

The CBC's Wednesday night series of which the first has already been heard prompts an immediate comparison with the Third Program of the BBC. Both are high quality programs designed to break through the normal level of broadcasting and offer the listener good, original and intelligent material.

The CBC's effort is of course on a much smaller scale, one night a week as against seven nights in Britain, but this does not detract from the boldness of the experiment. It is far better after all to begin small and grow than to try too much and fail.

The huge level plateau on which Goose airport now stands proved to be the historic spot because of its geographical position. Its sandy soil which required no drainage, and its ideal weather conditions and freedom from fog. As a war project undertaken by the Canadian and United States governments who leased the territory from Newfoundland, it was a masterpiece of achievement and played its full part in the defeat of the Axis powers and in the defence of the North American continent.

IN FIVE MONTHS

The fact that the base was in operation and planes landing five months after the site was discovered, makes the project all the more spectacular. The base is owned by the Canadian government and operated by the Royal Canadian Air Force. An area of the base has been subleased to the Americans to accommodate the United States Army Air Forces. The whole project cost around \$20,000,000 to complete.

Spreading over an area of approximately 150 square miles, Goose is one of the largest airports in the world. The main runway and approach lights extend over two miles. The plateau on which it is built lies between Hamilton and Goose Rivers, at the head of Lake Melville in the interior of Labrador, over 100 miles from the ocean.

Goose is very young yet, however. In a few years it will be a thriving community with many families. At the present time there are nearly 50 families of R.C.A.F. and Department of Transport personnel on the base. Construction of apartments is going

ahead on both sides of the base—Canadian and American.

EAST MEETS WEST

Goose is the place where east meets west and north meets south. You meet people here from as far north as Baffin Land, from sunny Florida, and from as far west as California and British Columbia to as far east as Cape Bonavista in Newfoundland. From all over North America you find representatives of every state, province and community. Newfoundlanders, Canadians and Americans all live together as one happy family. Two languages are spoken—English and French. In this respect Goose is a miniature Montreal.

Labrador is a land of vast natural resources. Its mineral wealth and forests present great future economic possibilities. Soon, these resources will be developed and the once isolated horthland which now is a junction point of the air age will reap the full benefits of its new importance.

They Did It

Edmonton Bulletin

Coal miners in Nova Scotia are to get 40 cents a day more pay. Because they have brought per-man production up to the pre-war level. They were promised the increase if they did this, they have done it, and are getting the increase.

That seems to dispose of the contention that was made when the strike was on that, for some reason, it was not possible to bring production back to the former volume. But the miners have done just that. Explanations from the can't-do propagandists are now in order.

Global Survey

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The failure of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' conference in London—a complete and acrimonious collapse—was a foregone conclusion since the parley began Nov. 25.

Well, what next? Indications are that Russia intends to intensify her drive to defeat the Marshall Plan and extend her domination westward across Europe. This will be countered vigorously by the three democracies, and observers look for an early unification of the American, British and French zones of Germany, leaving Russia in exclusive control of the rich eastern part of the dismembered Reich.

The logical outcome to such a partition (barring a complete change of heart by the Muscovites) would be the ultimate establishment of two Germanies—an eastern section dominated by Russia, and the western zone independent but hampered economically and sitting under the big guns of the Bolsheviks.

FAR-REACHING EFFECTS

The failure to produce a unified Germany might be expected to have far-reaching and perhaps adverse effects on the rehabilitation of a continent which has depended so heavily upon Germany for its economic well being in the past. Unification of the three western zones, however, would be a vast improvement over the present arrangement.

Russia's military control of eastern Germany, and of eastern Austria, not only will assist Moscow in consolidating its grip on eastern Europe but will provide Russia with powerful bases for the continued assault on western Europe. Observers look for an intensification of the Russian drive immediately.

The day-by-day proceedings of the Foreign Ministers' conference have made it clear that Moscow had no intention whatsoever of making an agreement. From start to finish Foreign Minister Molotov pursued the customary Soviet tactics of stalling for time so as to hamper rehabilitation, and used the meeting as a sounding board for the spread of Bolshevik propaganda which was calculated to put the democracies in a bad light and give communism a lift.

BLOCKING TACTICS

There isn't much reason to believe that Molotov's propaganda efforts have been successful. However, from Moscow's standpoint he may have given some temporary aid to the Communist program of world revolution by blocking agreement on the treaties which the democracies have been so anxious to see concluded.

In one important respect, Russia has received a distinct setback. When France entered the conference she was maintaining a middle-of-the-road course between the Soviet Union and the democracies. Paris wanted to be friendly with Moscow. However, Molotov's uncompromising attitude and his violent attacks on the western allies pushed France into the American-British camp.



UNIVERSAL SHAKESPEARE
T. D. Wilson in the BBC London Letter

"Shakespeare belongs to the world, and no nation, not even his own, has any exclusive right in him."

NO EXCUSE

Edmonton Journal

For the most part, the restaurant business has been highly profitable in recent years. There is no excuse for placing a cracked cup or plate before any patron. It not only offends, it is highly dangerous to health. If cracked tableware is habitually used by a cafe, what are the conditions in its kitchen, not exposed to public scrutiny?

The medical health officer and his staff cannot be too strict in enforcing health regulations as they apply to all public eating places.

MORAL EMPHASIS

Ottawa Journal

These scenes of the Gouzenko case movie so graphically depicted for the screen awakened in all of us who watched the scrupulous taking of them, the seriousness of the deliberately devilish offences of foreign officials who had been Canada's guests in Ottawa. If the screen later similarly awakens millions of other people who may have grown weary of the repeated trials and convictions of Canadians who participated in the grave offences, we believe it will be of decided public advantage. It is important that the moral of it all should be emphasized to the people who still are free.

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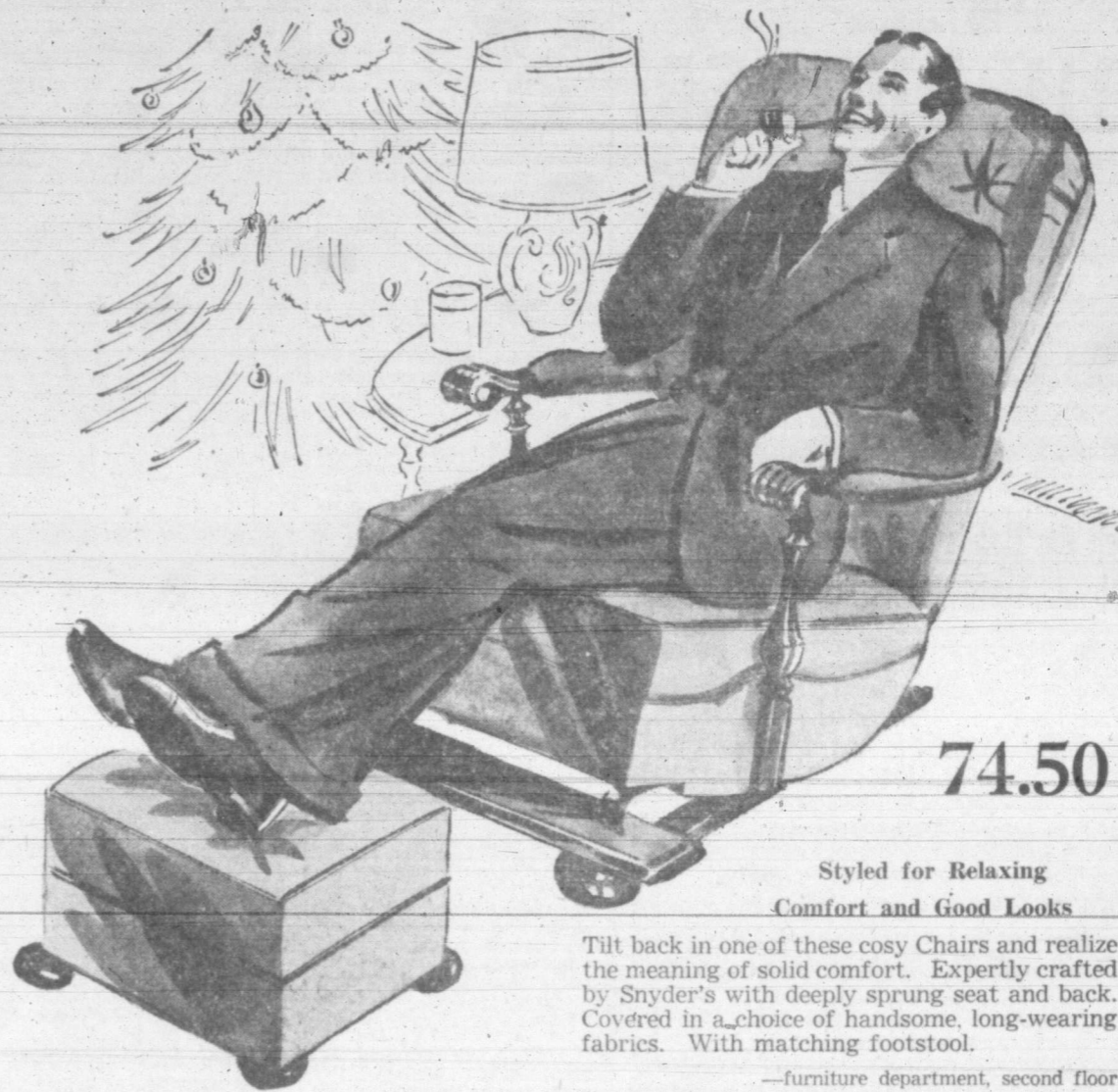
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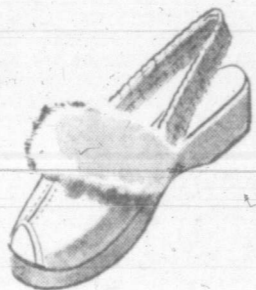
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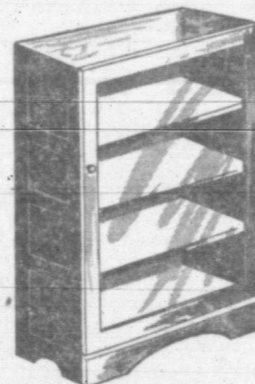
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Elk Falls Power To Give Jobs To Hundreds—Hart

By Staff Representative
CAMPBELL RIVER—Dis-
closure that the B.C. Power
Commission had received a num-
ber of applications for large
blocks of power from the Camp-
bell River power project for the
establishment or expansion of
major industries was made by
Premier John Hart, who attended
a ceremony to mark the start of
the first giant generator of the
power plant at Campbell River
Monday.

"The power generated by the
two units now being brought into
production will be taken up by
these industries," he said. "They
likewise will provide employment
for hundreds of families, exclu-
sive of those supported by busi-
nesses that will be established
in their wake."

The Premier added that the
power and industrial expansion
would make it possible for the
commission to extend distribution
facilities wherever it is economi-
cally feasible and to widen its
scope of rural electrification.

"Today the commission serves
13,000 consumers on Vancouver
Island, but the development tak-
ing place here will make it pos-
sible to exceed the total," he
stated.

At the ceremony a solid silver
plaque bearing an inscription
was presented to Premier Hart
who threw the switch which put
into operation the first power
unit. More than 400 guests, in-
cluding cabinet ministers, were
present to see the generator go
into operation.

The inscription on the tablet
said: "This tablet commemor-
ates the naming of the first
hydro-electric project of the British
Columbia Power Commis-
sion as the John Hart Develop-
ment, so named after the Premier
of British Columbia, whose vi-
sion and initiative brought into
being the commission for the
purpose of improving the avail-
ability and supply of electrical
power to the people of British
Columbia, 15 December, 1947."

The provincial government was
thanked for providing the neces-
sary resources for the completion
of the first of six 25,000-horse-
power generators for the Power
Commission's project at Camp-
bell River, by S. R. Weston,
chairman of the B.C. Power Com-
mission.

Mr. Weston said the first two
units which now have been com-
pleted would produce more
power sources on the island. He
added that the first unit delivered
as much work as 280,000 able-
bodied men.

"When the whole project is
completed," said Mr. Weston, "it
will equal the work of 6,000,000."

Mr. Weston disclosed that it
was intended to provide storage
for the main dam during the dry
season by damming a succession
of lakes leading to Buttle Lake.
When this was done, he said, an
additional 30,000 horsepower
would be available.

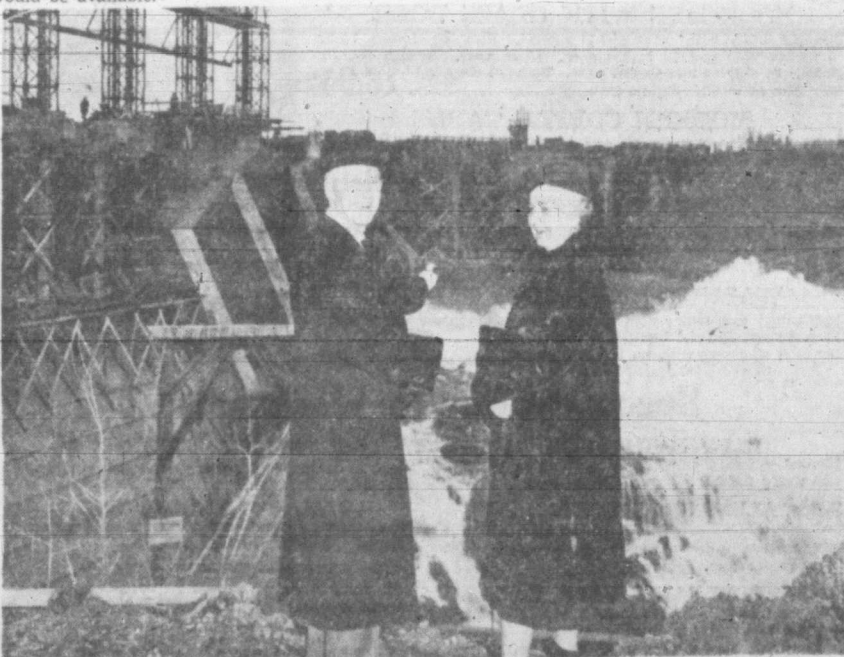


—Photos by George N. Y. Simpson.

Officials of the provincial government and the B.C. Power Commission after inspecting the project
are, left to right: W. W. Foster, commissioner; Agriculture Minister Frank Putnam, Premier John
Hart, Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb, F. L. Shaw, commissioner, and S. R. Weston, chairman of
the commission.



Attending the luncheon in the camp of the General Construction Co. Ltd., Vancouver, general con-
tractors, were 400 guests. At the head table, left to right, Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb, Mrs.
S. R. Weston, wife of the chairman of the B.C. Power Commission; Premier John Hart, Mrs. Hart,
Lands and Forests Minister E. T. Kenney, Mrs. Anscomb and Mines and Municipal Affairs Minister
R. C. MacDonald.



For Premier John Hart the John Hart Development is a dream come true. Here he is shown shaking
hands with Mrs. Hart before the 85-foot high head dam at Irene Pool, which was 18 months in build-
ing and into which went 40,000 cubic yards of concrete. Premier Hart fathered legislation which
created the \$30,000,000 B.C. Power Commission whose first major undertaking was the John Hart
Development, a project which will cost \$13,400,000 to turn out 100,000 horsepower.

Execution Today At St. Catharines

ST. CATHARINES, Ont. (CP).
—Sydney George Chambers, 35,
paid the death penalty for
murder early today, just 51
weeks to the day after nine-
year-old Marian Rusnak was
lured away by a stranger on the
street and never seen again.

The former canning factory
fireman was convicted for a
second time of the murder of
the little girl whose body never
has been found, after an appeal
had won him a new trial. The
Crown contended he had enticed
the girl to the canning factory,
smothered her and thrown the
body into the plant's furnace.
Chambers sang three hymns

and recited the 23rd Psalm in
his cell Monday night before
walking calmly to the gallows
at midnight, still protesting he
was innocent.

"I didn't do it, Sheriff," he
said in an even voice. "I say the
same thing now as I did then
... I didn't do it."

Li-Col. Wallace Buntin, Sal-
vation Army prison secretary,
said Chambers gave him a mes-
sage to his wife and daughter
in Toronto.

"If I had my life to live over
again I would be more loyal and
with all that has taken place I
still love you just the same,"
the message said. "I want you
to be as happy as you can under
the circumstances."

Newsprint Price Increased In East

TORONTO (CP). — The Great
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William today announced an in-
crease of \$6 a ton in the price
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ronto, and International Paper
Sales Co. Inc., Montreal, had al-
ready made similar announce-
ments.

The increase is on the present
price of about \$86 in Canada and
\$90 in New York.

Great Lakes also announced the
price of unbleached sulphite
will be increased by \$10 per ton.
Hon. W. Earl Rowe, president,
announcing the increases, said
the company's manufacturing
and delivery costs had accel-
erated rapidly.

Christmas Party

Provincial Recreation Centres
will hold a Christmas party and
dance for all members and
friends at the Crystal Garden
lower ballroom next Monday.
Entertainment will be from 8 to
9 and dancing till midnight. Re-
freshments will be served. The
Pro-Rec staff requests all mem-
bers to attend as the dance will
serve as a closing get-together,
all centres being closed after that
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Snowball Frolic Plans Completed

At the regular meeting of the Solarium Junior League, held Monday evening at the Douglas Hotel, plans were completed for the annual Snowball Frolic to be held Boxing Day at the Empress Hotel, under the auspices of the league.

Recognized as one of the social highlights of the Christmas season, the Snowball Frolic features Len Acres' orchestra, with Julie Heyes, vocalist, playing for dancing from 9 until 1 and a floor show by pupils of Wynne Shaw's Dancing School with the ever-popular Skater's Waltz number the highlight. Theme of the decorative motif will be a winter wonderland, with giant snowballs and snowmen.

Mrs. Graham Harris is convener of the affair, assisted by Mrs. J. H. Allison, Mrs. D. McMaster and Mrs. David R. Monk. Mrs. Howard Damaske presided at the meeting and Mrs. Margaret Drinkwater, chairman of the carnival committee, reported \$215.70 raised at that event. Miss Beth Walker reported the rummage sale netted \$75, and it was announced toys collected and reconducted by Oak Bay Fire Department will be sold at a public auction at Prince Robert House on Dec. 15.

A new member, Miss Sheila Gallinher, was welcomed. Next meeting will be a white elephant party on Jan. 5, with Miss Helen Baird, convener.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Blount of Ottawa are guests at Cherry Bank Hotel for the winter months.

Mrs. Evan Pederson, Langford, has left for the prairies to spend Christmas with a daughter in Saskatchewan.

Mrs. Hugh C. B. Downley of San Francisco is the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. Leeming, McNeill Avenue, for a short time before returning to her home for Christmas.

Lt.-Cmdr. J. C. O'Brien, Commanding Officer, H.M.C.S. Crescent, and Mrs. O'Brien, who are leaving for the east early in the new year, are entertaining at an after-five party aboard ship tonight.

Mrs. H. R. Taylor and Miss M. King were pre-Christmas hostesses this afternoon in the Elizabethan Room at the Empress Hotel with five tables of bridge and additional guests arriving at the tea hour.

Sgt. Maj. and Mrs. Gregor McKenzie with their small son, Roderick, have arrived from Vernon to spend the Christmas season at Langford, guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McKenzie and Mr. and Mrs. G. McGregor.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Arnett are entertaining at a family dinner party tonight at their home, 2761 Dwyer Avenue, in honor of their daughter, Gloria, and her fiancé, Mr. Howard Bagshaw, who, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bagshaw, arrived today from their home in Hamilton, Ontario.

Miss Heather Prentice returned to Victoria from eastern Canada on Monday to spend the holiday season with her parents, Capt. A. D. Prentice, D.S.O., D.S.C. and Bar, R.C.N., and Mrs. Prentice, at their home in Gordon Head. Miss Prentice has been completing internship in occupational therapy in Toronto.

Members of the Soroptimist Club held a Christmas tea at Lincoln last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Alice Kimmitt, president of the club, acted as hostess and special guests were Mrs. Murchison, Miss J. E. M. Bruce, who gave a brief talk on her recent visit to Europe; Miss Hazel Harvey and Miss Doris Coulter. Others present were Mrs. Sarah Clarke, Mrs. Sara McMartin, Mrs. D. Maggs, Misses Clare Gray, Ella Walker, Rae Kirken, Dale, Dora Atkins, Yvonne Love, Lillian Milne, Nell Jones, Olive Heritage and Lucy Bridger.

Members of the staff of Tolmie school gathered recently at an afternoon tea to honor Miss Joan Frost, a popular bride-elect. Miss Frost was presented with a corsage bouquet of pink carnations and later in the afternoon C. A. Michell, the principal, presented her with a water jug and six goblets, on behalf of staff members. The tea table was decorated in the Christmas motif. Miss O. Bossi presided at the urns and others present were Misses D. Greenhalgh, J. Swales, P. Mackay, D. Pullin, M. Boorman and H. O'Donnell.

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In celebration of her 10th birthday, Miss Patricia Milliken was guest of honor at a birthday party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Milliken, 1742 Hampshire Road. Guests were Betty Adams, Susan Burnett, Wendy Fox, Noel Grubb, Marie Hardy, Mary Hughes, Myrtle McGraw, Lexie McGraw, Gloria Milliken, Carol Milliken, Billy Milliken, Sandra Parton, Elaine Patterson and Joyce Stonehouse.

Mrs. S. Fedosenko and Miss Beverly Arnet were co-hostesses at a kitchen shower at the home of the latter in honor of Miss Eileen Collins, Sooke, a December bride-elect. Gifts were concealed in an attractively decorated basket, and guests included Mrs. M. Jones, Mrs. Edward Eve, Mrs. Elmer Stolth, Mrs. Robert Collins, Misses Viola Vowles, Merle Forrest, Norma Stolth, Daphne Lavender, Joan McCauley and Marilyn Jackman.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Mellander, 1230 Purcell Place, received the names Rosalind Scott at a christening ceremony in St. John's Church last Sunday. Rev. George Biddle officiated and godparents were Miss Ethel Clark of Edinburgh, Scotland, Miss Norma Pite, Victoria, and Mr. Cecil Clark, Vancouver. The baby is the great-granddaughter of Col. W. Ridge-way Wilson, Victoria. Her paternal grandmother is Mrs. M. McLander, 964 Byng Street, Victoria, and her paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Scott Graham, Edinburgh, Scotland.

St. Alban's Junior W.A. Gives Christmas Concert

A Christmas concert, organized by Mrs. H. E. Large for the Junior W.A. of St. Alban's Church was held in the church hall.

First part of the program was religious in character, consisting of sacred songs sung by Miss Joan Richmond, followed by a Nativity play, written by Mrs. Large.

Cast included Gillian Upward, Barbara Parby, Patsy Kiers, Bonnie Comber, Christine Cameron, Neil Crockett, Margaret Hayes, Sylvia Birch, Marjorie Barrie, Jean Hodson, Wendy Budge, Marlene Trage, Marlene Walker, Jean Parby, Shirley Kerr and Joan Richmond.

Walter Hamilton, organist of St. Alban's, was accompanist.

After an intermission, a program of dancing was given by Eileen and pupils of Eileen's School of Dancing, including two special numbers, a Russian dance by Eileen and Heather, and a tango solo was given by Doreen Cohut. Soloists on the dance program were Ruth Cohut, Billy Holland, Yvonne Swift, Audrey Ingraham, Tama Fenerty and Eileen Campbell, who were accompanied by Madame Bertucci.

The program was brought to a close with carols by the Cathedral A.Y.P.A., charming recitations by Mrs. Jennie Dearborn, and songs by Doreen Cohut and Joan Richmond.

Rev. F. E. M. Tomalin acted as master of ceremonies.

Port Angeles Wedding For Victoria Nurse

At an early December wedding in Port Angeles, Washington, Velma Kathleen youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bell of Victoria, became the bride of John Joseph Angier, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Angier, Brooklyn, New York.

The bride, who is a graduate of Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, chose for her wedding a grey gabardine suit with white fur hat and matching accessories. Her corsage bouquet was of white gardenias.

Miss Joyce Cromber, R.N., acting as bridesmaid, wore a blue suit, with corsage bouquet of talisman roses and a gardenia.

Gregory Peck was best man for the groom, who is in the medical detachment of the United States Army.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple left for Seattle, where they spent their honeymoon.

St. John Ambulance

St. John Ambulance Brigade No. 65, Thursday at S. A. J. Jarvis, superintendent.

Denton Holmes-Nursing Division No. 148 at headquarters tonight at 8. Last meeting until after holidays. Mrs. I. Head, superintendent.

Denton Holmes Cadet Nursing Division No. 148 Tuesday at 6.30. The Christmas party will be held Friday at 5.30 p.m. Box lunch. Miss G. Jewlings, cadet superintendent.

Oak Bay Cadet Nursing Division Friday at 3.15 at 2165 Oak Bay Avenue. Mrs. E. Humble, cadet superintendent.

A. J. Dallain Nursing Division No. 210 Friday at 8. Miss B. Littlehales, superintendent.

Christening Ceremony In Vancouver



The 11-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horsman, formerly of Victoria, was given the names Leslie Kathryn at a christening ceremony performed by Rev. E. D. Braden, D.D., on Dec. 13 at the North Shore home of her parents in Vancouver. The baby wore a christening robe belonging to her godmother, Mrs. G. Crighton. Other godparents were Mrs. H. G. Horsman and Dr. F. M. Bryant, Victoria. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Horsman and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. P. H. Dyke.

Inhabitants Of Fairyland Come To Life In Pantomime

Children and grown-ups both fell under the magic spell of a Christmas pantomime last night at the Royal Theatre, when a happy-ending version of "Babes in the Wood," was presented by the Solarium Junior League in aid of the Queen Alexandra Solarium for crippled children.

Extending patronage to the show, which will be presented again tonight and tomorrow, were His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Banks, Hon. John Hart and Mrs. Hart, and Mayor Percy E. George and Mrs. George.

As the Nice Lady, played by Margaret Hincks, drew back the curtain for the first act, inhabitants of the fairy-tale town of Jollyport are singing and dancing in the streets. An officious sheriff spoils the fun for a while by insisting he has to serve a writ to Mrs. Busybody, a great favorite in the town, but apparently in financial difficulties. The sheriff is none too anxious to arouse the anger of Mrs. Busybody, and the reason is clear when she arrives on stage by tumbling over the harassed sheriff.

This is the introduction to central character of the show, the "heroine," played by Alf Adams.

Adorable babes who arrived in a washing basket and immediately won the heart of everyone in the audience as well as Mrs. Busybody, were Jeanie Burns and Marilyn McElmoyle. Brighteyes, sweet little daughter of the wicked uncle, was played by Beverly Ilvings.

A host of comic characters, taken straight from fairy stories, but occasionally giving voice to a remark of contemporary significance, included two robbers, accomplices of the wicked uncle, named Ba Ba the Black Sheep and Captain Kiddo, played by Dick Reeve and Micky Francis, who cavorted through a great many scenes.

Two animals, Pluto the dog and Bozo the donkey—Jerry MacDonald, Jack Austin and Jim Burdge—stole several scenes with their absurd antics.

FAIRY GLADE

Soft lighting as the curtain was raised on the second act showed a ring of tiny fairies and pixies, pupils of Wynne Shaw's dancing school, who played around a glade in the enchanted forest.

At the approach of the Babes, a good fairy commands that three of the fairies change themselves into some suitable form in order to protect the lost mortals, and in their place from behind a rock hop three little bunnies, Elaine Gow, Penelope Perry and Lynette Fulkis.

Strange things happen in this enchanted forest—so unusual in fact that the brave robbers, searching for the Babes, are completely terrified before long.

Eventually everyone finds a way out of the forest. The third act takes place in the court of the silver pillars, in the palace of the wicked uncle—Doug Park

Leave For Oregon Honeymoon Following Afternoon Wedding

A honeymoon at Timberline Lodge, Mt. Hood, Oregon, will follow the wedding this afternoon of Molly Georgina Valk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Colin R. Mackenzie of Inverness, Scotland, and Reginald John Frank Featherstone, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Featherstone, 1365 Rockland Avenue, and the late Captain Reginald B. Featherstone.

The wedding was solemnized by candlelight at 4:30 this afternoon by Canon Michael Coleman in St. Barnabas' Church, where white chrysanthemums placed on the altar table were the only decoration.

Given in marriage by her uncle, J. Bevil Acland, the bride wore a full-skirted period dress of platinum grey satin with off-the-shoulder neckline, and cowl hood lined with cyclamen-shade chiffon velvet over her head. On her grey satin muff, which was edged with velvet of the same shade, was a muff corsage bouquet of cyclamen.

Miss Christine Mackenzie was her sister's only attendant, wearing full-skirted dress of cyclamen-shade chiffon velvet, fashionably trimmed with a grey squirrel fur coat.

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For traveling the bride wore a powder blue dress with hat to match and grey accessories, topped with a grey squirrel fur coat.

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Margaret Truman Offered Contract

NEW YORK (AP)—Margaret Truman has been offered her big chance Broadway, and at \$10,000 weekly.

Owners of the "Chicken Roost," a Times Square restaurant, wired the White House Monday offering the President's daughter that sum if she would appear there after her Washington concert Dec. 22.

The restaurateurs said they would offer six weeks with options if she consented, and: "Will also change the name of the restaurant if you so desire."

Ralph Watkins, one of the owners, said no reply had yet been received. Explaining the offer, Watkins said:

"My partner and I were sitting around today discussing business. We figured that the way business is we needed something sensational to hike it up. We figured Margaret Truman would fill the bill."

Club Calendar

Oak Bay United Women's Missionary Society, regular meeting Thursday at 2.45 in the church parlour. Colwood Women's Institute, election of officers, Wednesday at 2.30, Colwood Hall. Women of the Moose, Victoria Chapter No. 25, children's Christmas tree and supper, Bolshermakers' Hall, Government Street, not C.C.F. Hall as planned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SPECIALS

★ ALUMINUM ROASTERS
A large-size heavy-gauge aluminum roaster that will give years of service. **SPECIAL 3⁹⁰ EACH**

★ CHRISTMAS CRACKERS
1 dozen in an attractive package. Red and gold colors. **SPECIAL 59¢ PKG.**

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Made of polished aluminum. A two-slice turn-over toaster. **SPECIAL 2⁹⁸ EACH**

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For all-round good service, see this attractive chrome plated iron. **SPECIAL 3⁷⁵ EACH**

★ CARVING SETS
A three-piece carving set of good quality steel in a leatherette case. **SPECIAL 9⁷⁵ SET**

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★ WAGONS
A sturdy, good-size wagon with all-steel undercarriage and rubber-tired disc wheels. Regular 7.95. **SPECIAL 4⁹⁵ EACH**

A small wagon with wooden box and all-steel undercarriage, rubber-tired disc wheels. Natural finish. Reg. 3.75. **SPECIAL 1⁹⁵ EACH**

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Large 22-inch dolls, nicely dressed in assorted colors. **SPECIAL 98¢ EACH**

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Variety of colors, sizes. **SPECIAL 39¢ 59¢ 98¢ EACH**

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- Davenport Prescription Pharmacy, E 9731
- Fairfield Pharmacy, G 6741
- Fernwood Pharmacy, G 5722
- Gorge Pharmacy, E 7702
- Hillside Pharmacy, G 1632
- Jubilee Pharmacy, E 8911
- McCall-Davey Drug Co., B 3831
- Minnis Pharmacy, G 3532
- Pandora Pharmacy, G 3841
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Turkey Preparation Braised Or Roasted

NEA Staff Writer

"Turkey is relatively lower in price than beef, lamb or veal. Particularly the larger ones."

BRAISED TURKEY

Have butcher cut up turkey into pieces, like chicken, either in quarters or into breast pieces, legs, drumsticks, thighs, wings, giblets, neck and back pieces. If the meat is fat, start in an ungreased pan; if it is not, add a thin layer of fat to skillet or Dutch oven. Rub flour thoroughly into surface of meat; cook slowly until brown.

Turn meat during cooking to brown uniformly. Season with scant 1/2 teaspoon salt and dash of pepper for each pound of meat. Add 1/2 cup water, cover tightly and simmer until tender—about 50 minutes per pound for white meat, and 60 minutes for dark meat. This includes browning time.

Add 1 carrot, 1 rib of celery and 1 small onion for extra flavor, if desired. If the meat sizzles during cooking, add more water, about 1/4 cup at a time, to prevent meat from sticking. Serve with pan drippings or gravy.

ROAST TURKEY

Correct roasting is slow cooking by dry heat on a rack in an open pan. It requires no water, no basting, no cover. For best results, follow these simple steps in roasting:

1. Rub cavity with salt (1/2 teaspoon per pound of bird).
2. Put enough stuffing in neck to fill it out nicely, and fasten neck skin to back with skewer.
3. Stuff cavity well, but do not pack tightly.
4. Truss bird and grease skin thoroughly with melted or softened cooking fat.
5. Place on rack in shallow pan.
6. Cover top and sides of bird with fat-moistened cloth, preferably clean white cheese cloth.
7. Place in preheated oven.
8. Do not sear, cover, or add water.
9. Moisten cloth with fat from bottom of pan, if cloth dries slightly during cooking.
10. Turn bird breast up when about three-quarters done, if breast meat browns too slowly.

Cowichan Bazaar—Members of Lake Cowichan Order of the Royal Purple held a Christmas bazaar and tea in the Community Hall at Lake Cowichan, where the Christmas motif was carried throughout the hall and dining-room, with fat wolly snowmen for flower holders on the tea tables. Stalls included novelties, candies, cooked food, fancywork, dolls' clothes, children's knitted wear, aprons and cotton goods.

Snow Scene For Christmas



Use an evergreen-banked snow scene to dramatize your Christmas table setting, and prepare to take bows for your unique and charming centerpiece.

The basis of the centerpiece shown, which highlights an Irish linen damask cloth, is a serving tray filled with soapless washing powder. The tray, piled high with drifting "snow," is banked all around with cut evergreens.

This centerpiece—which is animated, as shown, by a tiny reindeer-drawn sleigh and a toy

No Special Trick Required To Make Good Turkey Gravy

Making good gravy is no mystical art. It's a matter of good advice—such as this:

TURKEY GRAVY

Pour off the fat from the roasting pan and measure to determine amounts of other gravy ingredients. Use one cup of milk for each 2 tablespoons fat. With a 12-pound turkey, make 6 cups of gravy.

Put measured fat back into the pan. Add 1 cup water and bring to a boil. Stir bottom of pan with broad spatula to loosen browned bits. Drain broth from giblets which were cooked previously and add milk to make desired amount of gravy. Use 2 tablespoons of flour (level measure) for each cup of liquid. Stir in small amount of liquid to make a smooth paste. Add remaining liquid. Stir slowly into boiling fat and water in pan. Use a slow heat and stir with a broad spa-

Oyster Delicacy Appetizing Dish

Oysters are a source of protein, a delicacy to many and a novelty to many more. Today, with prices for every food so high, oysters are relatively less expensive considering their food and "novelty" value.

When ordering oysters, there are three general sizes of cardboard containers, six-ounce, eight-ounce and pint size. These oysters, of course, are "shucked," which means, as far as we are concerned, no shells. Oysters still may be bought in the shell by the dozen.

Oyster Stew—One pint milk or 1 cup milk and 1 cup cream, 1 tablespoon butter, 2 dozen oysters and liquor (1 pint), pepper, salt, paprika, chopped parsley.

Let milk, salt, pepper and butter scald in top of double boiler. Add oysters and liquor; allow to cook one minute only. Serve immediately. Sprinkle each serving with a dash of paprika and parsley.

Strawberry Vale—Members of Strawberry Vale P.T.A. held a meeting recently when Austin R. Curtis, chairman of the Greater Victoria School Board, and Mrs. Curtis were welcomed as special guests. It was announced that \$206 was cleared at a recent bazaar. A spelling bee was enjoyed by members and refreshments served by Mrs. J. Waugh and her committee.

Lemon Hard Sauce

One-half cup butter, 1 egg, 1/2 cups powdered sugar, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel.

Cream butter, egg yolk and sugar together. Add lemon juice. Blend well. Fold in stiffly beaten egg white and grated peel. Delicious.

MOLASSES FRUIT PATTIES

One cup shortening, 2 1/2 cups sifted flour, 1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1/2 cup light molasses, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 egg, unbeaten, 1 cup raisins, 1 cup nutmeats, 1/2 cup combined citron, orange peel and lemon peel.

Melt shortening in 3 or 4-quart saucepan over very low fire. Remove from fire; let cool. Mix and sift flour, soda, salt and spices. Add molasses, sugar and unbeaten egg to cooled shortening and mix well. Add dry ingredients and mix thoroughly. Combine raisins, nutmeats, citron, orange and lemon peel and put through food chopper, using fine blade; then stir them into batter. Drop by heaping teaspoonfuls, 2 inches apart, on greased cookie sheet. Bake in hot oven (425 degrees F.) 10 to 15 minutes, or until brown. (Makes about 60 cookies.)

Old-fashioned jelly tarts, with centres as red as holly berries, belong in the Christmas entertaining scheme.

Half Turkey Prevents Waste

Serve half a turkey if a whole one is too big for your family and may cause waste. Here are the steps for roasting a half turkey.

1. Rub cavity (cut side) with salt (1/2 teaspoon per pound of bird). Skewer skin to breast meat. Tie leg just above the knuckle joint securely to tail.

2. Place turkey, cut side down, on a rack in a shallow pan. Brush bird with melted fat and cover with fat-moistened cheese cloth. Roast in preheated oven (325 degrees F.). Allow about 25 to 30 minutes per pound.

3. Allow scant 1/2 cup dressing per pound of bird purchased. Mound dressing on a well-greased double thickness of waxed paper to approximately the shape of the half turkey's cavity.

4. When the bird is about half done (1 1/2 hours to 2 hours) remove from oven and place paper with dressing on rack. Replace half turkey over the dressing and continue roasting until done. Bake extra dressing in pan last hour of roasting, basting with pan juices.

5. Spoon fat from bottom of pan to moisten cloth if necessary during roasting. Press the fleshy part of drumstick with

your fingers protected by a cloth or paper. If the turkey is done, the meat feels soft. Remove cloth if more browning is desired toward end of roasting.

Maybe half a turkey is too large for your needs. Then use a 1/4 turkey and buy turkey by pieces. Here are rules for roasting pieces:

1. Use drumstick, thigh, breast pieces or breast or leg quarters.
1. Place turkey pieces on a rack in a shallow pan.
2. Rub turkey with salt, about 1/2 teaspoon salt per pound.
3. Lay fat-moistened cheese cloth over turkey.
4. Do not cover pan. Do not baste. Do not add water.
5. Roast in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) until tender. Time: 1 1/2 hours to 2 hours for cup-up pieces or 50 minutes per pound for whole quarters including browning time.

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Party Cookies Kiddies Love

Plum pudding a flame is a beloved tradition for Christmas dessert. However, with children in the family, ice cream and party cookies, shaped into balls and rolled in colored sugar, seem a more appropriate suggestion.

PARTY COOKIES

One-half cup shortening, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, 1 cup sugar, 1 tablespoon milk, 4 egg yolks, well beaten, 1 1/2 cups sifted flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 cup nut meats, chopped.

Combine shortening, salt and vanilla. Add sugar gradually, mixing well; then beat in the milk. Add well beaten egg yolks and mix thoroughly. Sift flour with baking powder and add to the shortening mixture. Chill and then shape into 1/2-inch balls; roll in chopped nuts and place at least an inch apart in a well-greased glass utility dish or cookie sheet. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 15 minutes or until the cookies are lightly browned. The cookie balls may be rolled in colored sugar for variation. Four dozen cookies.

And here's another Christmas dessert children will like.

HOLLY CREAM CAKE

One-half cup shortening, 1 cup sugar, 3 eggs, separated, 2 cups sifted whole wheat flour, 3 1/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 cup milk.

Cream shortening together with 1/2 cup sugar until well blended. Beat egg yolks well; add to mixture. Sift flour once; measure and sift again with baking powder and salt. Add dry ingredients to creamed mixture, alternating with milk. Beat egg whites stiff, but not dry; gradually add remaining 1/2 cup sugar and fold into cake batter. Pour into two greased 8-in. layer pans; bake in a moderately hot oven (375 degrees F.) 30 minutes. When cooled, fill layers with

custard cream filling. To decorate the top, place an 8-inch holly-patterned dolly (or cut-out pattern) on cake. Sprinkle with a heavy layer of confectioners' sugar. Remove dolly carefully. (Serves 6.)

OLD-FASHIONED RED JELLY TARTS

Two and one-quarter cups all-purpose flour, 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 cup butter, 1 cup sugar, 2 eggs, well beaten, 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, 1 tablespoon milk or cream, tart jelly.

Sift flour on square waxed paper once, measure, add baking powder and salt; sift again. Cream butter in mixing bowl with wooden spoon. Add sugar gradually and continue to mix until light and fluffy. Add eggs, vanilla extract and milk; beat thoroughly. Add sifted dry ingredients gradually and blend. Chill until dough is firm enough to handle, about 2 hours. Roll out dough 1/4-inch thick on lightly floured board. Cut half the cookies with floured doughnut cutter; the other half with floured plain round cookie cutter. Bake on ungreased cookie sheets in moderately hot oven (375 degrees F.) for 10 to 12 minutes. Turn the plain round cookies upside down and spread bottom of each with 1 teaspoon bright red jelly. Top each with a ring cookie. (Makes about 1 1/2 to 2 dozen tarts.)

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The Old Timer started off oratorically this morning.

"Everyone wants a good standard of living," he said. "What's the answer to it?"

"To my mind there is just one answer—produce! This business of 'feather-bedding' and all that sort of thing is just silly.

"Have you seen the ads the British government is running, telling the working men and women of England that the one and only way they can get the things they want is just to go to work and work their hardest, every day. That is a socialist government, but they are talking sense, and it is sense for us here in Canada or in any other part of the world.

"Britain is in a tough spot now, and here in Canada we are in a lucky spot. We've got everything, or almost everything. Our standard of living is high. But when you think what it might be, if each and every one of us went to work and turned in the biggest day's work that we're capable of, why there is simply no telling how prosperous this country could be.

"Wages? We could earn the highest wages in the world if all of us just went out and did each day the biggest day's work that we can.

"That, to my mind, is the answer to every real question ahead of us. Work, produce, and nothing can hold us back."

(The views of the Old Timer are presented weekly in this newspaper under the sponsorship of the British Columbia Federation of Trade and Industry).

'Technical Hitch' Foils Special Agent, Idol Of Millions

LONDON (CP)—Dick Barton, special agent and wholesale smasher of foreign plots who regularly teaches Scotland Yard a thing or two to the spine-tingling adoration of 15,000,000 youngsters—and adults—lost his first case Monday night. The results were dramatic.

His millions of fans who nightly switch on their radios to hear crashing cords, heard instead a suitably sad-voiced announcer say: "There will be no Barton tonight," and apologize for a "technical error."

What's happened, is he in a jam? many asked harassed BBC telephone operators. "Can we save him?" queried others. All telephone lines to the BBC were jammed between 6.45 and 7 p.m.—time of the program—and three carloads of children drove to Broadcasting House personally to free him.

It wasn't funny because at his last appearance Dick, wrongfully suspected of murder, had been followed to a house by the police and as the episode ended an ominous knocking sounded on the door.

But the explanation of the whole thing was elementary. The gramophone reproducer refused to reproduce at the crucial moment.

"The announcer put over the usual announcement, but the program engineer, in another studio, was unable to get the recording on the air," a BBC official told inquiring newspapermen.

So engineers are working feverishly to overcome that villain of radio—"technical hitch"—so that the children's hero won't be foiled again in the next installment.

Official Recount In Esquimalt

W. J. Cave, returning officer for Esquimalt, presented final figures Monday afternoon on the balloting in the municipal elections Saturday after the official recount had taken place.

Those elected were in the same order as originally announced.

Councillor G. R. Guillemaud headed the poll with 443 votes; Councillor C. H. Smith was second with 301 votes, and Fred H. Higgins third with 269 votes. They will each serve a two-year term.

Defeated were: W. H. D'Allaway with 234 votes; E. M. Briggs with 226; A. H. Dobson with 199, and Mrs. Annie McVie with 196. There were four spoiled ballots.

Esquimalt Asks Oak Bay For Lights

Lack of lights in Esquimalt has come to the "critical" stage, Councillor G. R. Guillemaud told council meeting Monday night, upon hearing the public works report that the municipality was unable to purchase lights.

"There are dangerous corners where there are no lights," he said, suggesting that Oak Bay and Saanich be asked if they could help out by providing lights temporarily.

"I understand that Oak Bay has lots of lights," commented Councillor Alex Speirs.

Council agrees to seek help from Oak Bay and Saanich.

T.B. Seal Campaign Near \$9,000 Mark

Although Christmas seal sales in the Greater Victoria area are nearing the \$9,000 mark, the mailing list indicates that many householders have yet to respond to the annual plea for funds to continue the community "stamp out tuberculosis" war.

Money raised in the past has been applied locally, but the major campaign aim this year is construction of a \$300,000 T.B. Institute which will contain the most modern chest surgical unit in Canada. This institute, which will be near Provincial Division of Tuberculosis Control headquarters in Vancouver, will supplement tuberculosis prevention, treatment, and survey programs in British Columbia communities made possible largely through past Christmas seal subscriptions.

Seropoint Club members who are sponsoring the campaign wish to remind householders that it is not too late to purchase additional seals for Christmas mail. Campaign headquarters are at 1230 Government.

They'll Do It Every Time



Time Stands Still In Esquimalt Council Chamber

The tale of the clock that never gets past 20 minutes to 7 might make a good mystery story, but Reeve A. I. Thomas and the councillors out at Esquimalt do not see it that way.

The clock in the council chamber of the municipal hall stands still, and has practically ever since it was purchased last year to replace another clock that refused to go, according to Councillor G. H. Guillemaud, who brought the subject up at the conclusion of the business agenda at the council meeting, Monday night.

"It annoys me, it always says 20 minutes to 7," said Reeve Thomas with a laugh.

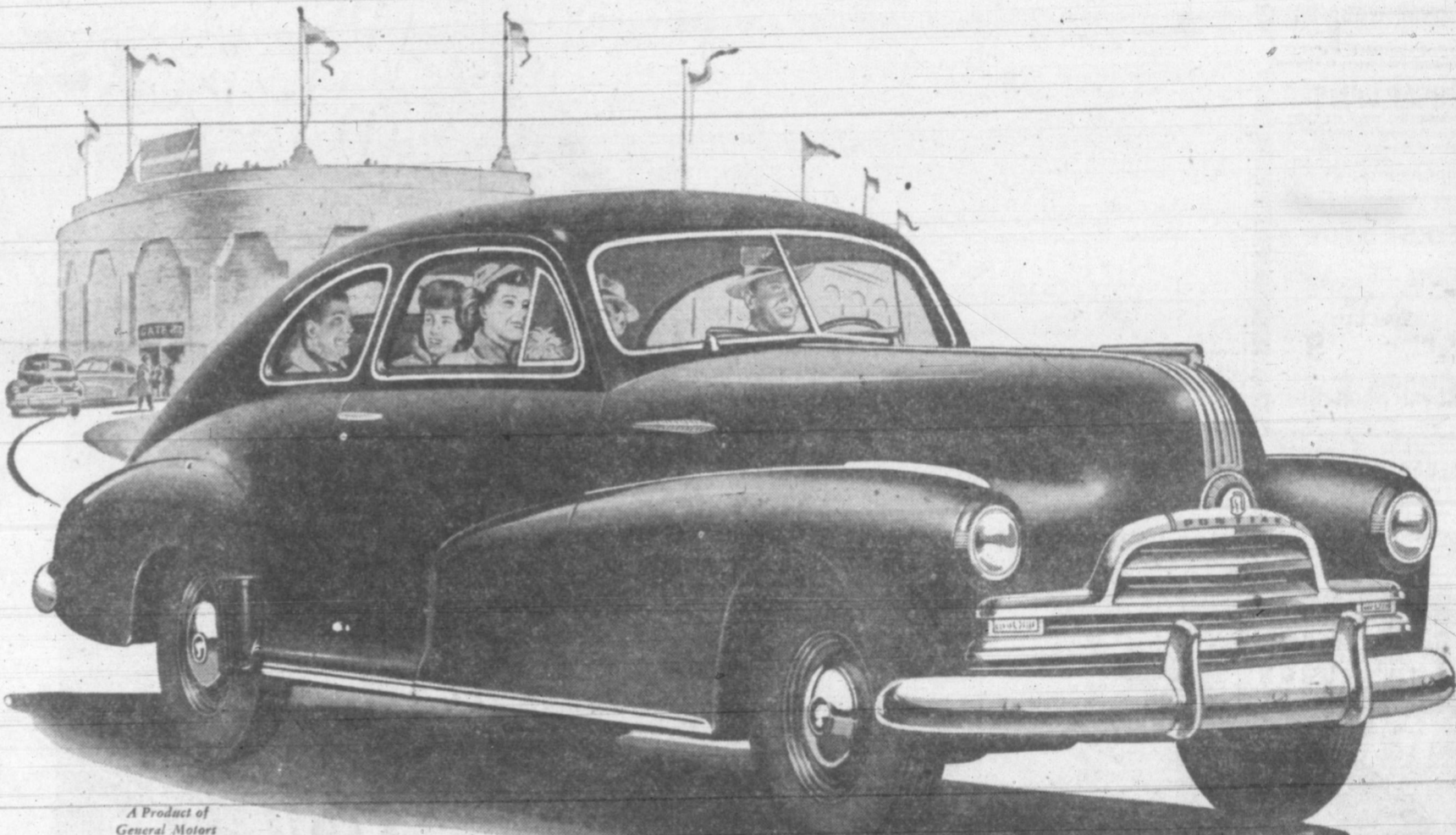
Rain spots appearing on the ceiling of the council chamber also brought forth a suggestion from Councillor Guillemaud, for council's attention.

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London Meeting Of Big 4 Defeat For Britain, U.S. In Propaganda

By WES GALLAGHER
LONDON (AP) — In a newspaper man's view, the United States and Great Britain suffered a propaganda defeat if not a diplomatic one during the abor-

tive London conference of Foreign Ministers.
Except for the last day, the dominant voice of the 17 sessions was that of Foreign Minister Molotov, reiterating the theme that the Soviet Union was Germany's only friend.

Day after day he took the initiative in manoeuvring the discussion around — no matter what the subject — to his favorite topic: the Soviet Union's desire for a strong, central, Liberal democratic government for Germany.

MOVES FORESEEN

Before the conference started the British and American delegations expressed the belief Molotov would use the conference largely, if not solely, as a sounding board to the German people. Molotov did just what they feared he would do for 16 days. All attempts to stop him failed.

He was repeatedly charged by Foreign Secretary Bevin and State Secretary Marshall with speaking not to his fellow ministers but to the German people. There was no sign that he ever heard these accusations.

Day after day he repeated the same charges against the west: that they were profiteering on German misery, that they were holding back Germany's industry, that they were partitioning Germany.

Day after day Bevin and Marshall denied the accusations, but this did not stop the Russian. He repeated them as though they were new each time and no answer had ever been made.

It was high level application of an old propaganda axiom: that if you say something often enough not only your listeners will believe it but you probably will soon believe it yourself.

COAL AND LUMBER

Parts of these charges began to stick, even here in London where they were old hat. For example, this correspondent was asked four times in one day by newspaper men who had not been in Germany whether after all it wasn't possible some one of the western zones was making illegal profits on coal and timber. The questioners were well-informed persons, but doubts had begun to creep into their minds.

The American and British position in this propaganda campaign was that to answer with counter-charges, or specifically at length, would only prolong the conference and lead it nowhere.

The result was that the average reader or listener was more inclined to remember the charges than the brief denials.

Half a saint's head is a treasured relic of the Jesuit church in the city of Quebec. It is part of the skull of Jean Brebeuf, killed by Indians in 1649, and one of the first two Canadians to be canonized.

U.B.C. Head Sees Press As Means Of Bringing About World Understanding



Dr. N. A. M. MacKenzie, standing, speaking before Monday night's meeting of the University Extension Association on the subject "Freedom of the Press." Seated, left to right, are Mrs. H. E. Young, president of the extension group; Dr. J. M. Ewing and Kenneth Drury, editor of the Vancouver News-Herald.

Both praise and condemnation was leveled at modern day newspapers at Central Junior High School Monday night by a three-man panel discussion group which dealt with the recently published "Freedom of the Press" report, produced by a University of Chicago commission financed by Time Inc.

Members of the panel were: Dr. Norman A. M. MacKenzie, president of the University of B.C., who served during the war as chairman of the War Information Board of Canada; Dr. J. M. Ewing, principal of Victoria College, and Kenneth Drury, editor of the Vancouver News-Herald.

At the offset of the discussion, Dr. MacKenzie emphasized the commission's report was almost 100 per cent American inasmuch as it dealt with American problems and reached American conclusions.

"However," Dr. MacKenzie continued, "there is one duty for which the press is responsible all over the world."

This duty, he said, is to provide the public with true and representative information on which the public can gain knowledge and develop understanding.

"In my opinion, a world of peace and security cannot be built on propaganda or misleading information," the university president said.

Continuing, he noted that the press of North America operated on a free enterprise system. He said there were certain disadvantages of having newspapers forced to "pay their own way." But conceded such a system was better than having government operation where the government, or party in control of the government, could dictate the policy of a paper so as to give the public what it, the government, wanted the public to hear.

Dr. Ewing declared that gathering and presenting the news is big business and cannot be done on a small scale. He noted it now costs from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 to start a daily newspaper in a city.

The college principal was entirely opposed to newspaper chains which, he said, controlled 33.8 per cent of all newspapers in the United States. He also expressed concern that the three major news-gathering agencies in America were directly linked with powerful chains or controlled by a limited number of publishers. "It brings the control into the hands of too few," he said.

Mr. Drury noted there is not the chain development in Canada as there is in the United States. What few there are, he said, are loose organizations and the individual papers have their own policies.

Any faults which may be found in the press can be attributed to the public, the newspaperman said, for the newspapers give the public what it asks for. He noted newspapers today not only provide information but entertainment. There is something for every member of the family, he declared.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the speakers were thanked by J. B. Clearhue. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. H. E. Young, president of the Victoria Branch of the University Extension Association, under whose auspices the panel was presented.

Drowns In Cyanide

KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont. (CP) — D. McGillivray, 57, a shift foreman, was drowned Monday night after he fell into a tank of cyanide at the Lake Shore Gold Mine mill.

Soviet Currency Action Reveals Prices Of Food For Muscovites

NEW YORK (AP) — The extreme difference in prices of consumer goods in Russia and in this country was brought into focus when official Moscow gave the outside world Monday a glimpse of what the average Russian pays for such things as butter, eggs, milk and even vodka.

Strict comparisons were difficult in some cases because the Russians use a different kind of measurement and weights than prevail in this country and in other cases quality was not stated. But the following table gives the price of some of the basic items in the two countries:

New York prices:	Russian prices:
Wheat bread, 1 pound loaf, 17 cents	2,204 pounds 54 cents
Sugar cubes, 1 pound, 14½ cents	2,204 pounds \$2.75
Coffee, 1 pound, 55 cents	2,204 pounds \$14.25
Butter, 1 pound, 97 cents	2,204 pounds \$11.78
Eggs, 1 dozen grade A, 89 cents	10 eggs, first class, \$1.90-\$2.66
Milk, 1 quart, 22 cents	1.05 quarts 48-67 cents
Czech vodka, 1½ gallon \$5.98	½ litre \$11.47 (a litre is 1.05 quarts)

1,314 Students At Night School

At the end of November 1,314 students were attending night school. Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, chairman of the educational committee, told the Greater Victoria School Board Monday evening.

Enrollment in Greater Victoria schools, including Victoria Col-

lege, was 10,465 at the end of the month. Of this total, 459 were attending the college, 2,252 were attending the high schools, 509 were attending junior high, and 7,245 were attending elementary schools.

In her education report, Mrs. Beckwith also noted a net loss in the cafeterias of Victoria High, Central Junior High and Oak Bay High. Losses were: Victoria High, \$108; Central Junior High, \$52, and Oak Bay High, \$17.

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Around-the-Clock Survey Of 'Blotter' Shows Variety In Life Of Policemen

By "CAP" THORSEN

A twice around-the-clock survey of the workings of the Victoria Police Department's uniformed and plainclothes branches as sketched on the "police blotter" tells a story of continuous activity as the police take a hand in troubles and problems of the community.

The "blotter" is the typed onion-skin sheets prepared from the reports made "in the rough" by personnel during the day of almost every item conveyed to the department from the public over the telephone or by personal contact; police action or investigation carried out and results achieved.

It gives a pretty accurate picture of what service the policeman, in the role of the public servant, is called upon to perform.

Practically all public worries and complaints become his to solve or rectify... his job on the whole is a thankless one.

He is called upon to do anything from finding lost dogs and adults, locate stolen cars and bicycles, dispose of canines killed by the motorists on the streets, rescue cats trapped up poles, provide safeguards so that citizens will not run afoul of dangerous holes in roads and

other things. He has to attend to drunks who are too helpless to help themselves, attend at homes and try and straighten out family quarrels, jump here, there and everywhere for reports of robberies large and small, of prowlers... and one could go on for another thousand or more words to just touch on the greater volume of matters becomes involved in, notably these days the ever-increasing number of automobile accidents.

The "blotter" merely tells of reports received and results. It does not illustrate the work involved to get answers. Nor does it tell of the court time spent by officers in testifying as a climax to a great many of the matters they handled.

A recent 24-hour period covered by the "blotter" we came up with, was the day starting at 2:35 Saturday morning last to the same time next morning.

During the period under review, the police fixed two situations where manhole covers were removed, attended to several business premises found insecure—a sure invitation for trouble from thieves; reported to the proper quarter that two traffic lights out of order, returned two sets of keys found, took several parcels of money into safekeeping, put lights where

a hole in a road might prove dangerous.

SATURDAY MORNING

2:35—Cons. L. Mottershead reports two windows broken at 937 View Street and lights on inside. Owner located, who said windows had been broken several days.

3:45—Flight in progress in Fisgard Street cafe. Cons. R. Berry and E. Hamer attended. Per-suaded some sailors to depart.

5:25—Uptown hotel calls for police assistance. Cons. A. Nichol and R. Ward temporarily smoothed out trouble between man and woman resident. They had been drinking together earlier in the evening.

8:45—Woman resident of Fort Street complaining of phone ringing throughout night. B.C. Telephone test desk promised to try and assist in matter.

9:15—City garbage department notified to pick up quantity of boxes and paper at intersection of Yates and Blanshard Streets following Cons. D. Buie's telephoned information.

9:15—Special police attention asked for Johnson Street liquor store to handle traffic during busy 5 to 6 hour.

9:40—Auto picked up by police claimed by owner.

9:35—City alderman reports young woman illegally soliciting for a Christmas cheer fund. Had



Sgt. Thomas Stevenson, with pencil aimed at the pad on which rough notes are made for the official "blotter," listens to a citizen calling for police action.

no credentials to show soliciting was legitimate.

QUITS 24-HOUR SERVICE

9:40—Gas station operator reports he is going off 24-hour service and will observe instead usual hours of 8 in the morning until 6 in the evening pursuant to the terms of city by-law on early closing.

9:50—Citizen phones asking that driver of car he gave number for be cautioned for crashing red light at Quadra and Pandora.

10:30—Seventy-four-year-old man knocked down by bus on Government near Yates. Suffered only slight bruises.

11:20—Bicycle found by police claimed by owner.

11:50—Call for police attention to be given two rail cars full of liquor.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

EVENING

12:10—Almer Dodds, 948 Pandora Avenue, reports via phone at about 10 someone entered the unlocked rear door and took Mrs. Irene Dodds' purse, containing \$10 in bills, from the kitchen table. Purse minus money found outside. No suspects. Constable J. Barlow attended.

12:20—Powell River B.C. Police report being unable to find man believed to have been driving car involved in accident on Douglas Street. Man was knocked off his bicycle by car and owner sought.

12:40—Wallet found near Spencer's on Douglas in name of Jean Allen. Description: Green change purse, containing 35 cents in streetcar tickets.

12:50—Constable Barlow attends at Robert Street in view of complaints of woman resident of boys shooting BB-guns.

1:40—Constables William Andrews and R. McNeill settled trouble between man and woman in Johnson Street rooming house.

2:25—Man recently married has lots of wedding presents in his home. Asks for an officer to call around occasionally as there will be no one home until 8 in the evening.

2:35—Woman complains that tenants of her upper Rockland Avenue house left and that the following is missing from the dwelling: a cupboard, size to fit a doorway, value \$25; one hollow-ground carving knife worth \$5 and a small silver tray worth \$2. Det. Sgt. Henry Jarvis interviewed the woman and got particulars.

2:40—Elderly woman knocked down by woman cyclist at View and Blanshard. Slightly injured. Cons. Andrews and McNeill attended and took particulars.

3:20—Cons. J. Strong, A. Harwood and Buie attended accident scene at Yates and Government. Took man who had fallen onto pavement and suffered a two-inch gash to back of head to Jubilee Hospital. Six stitches necessary.

3:35—Boys reported to be shooting at ducks behind the grain elevator, gone when Cons. L. Somers attended on his motorcycle. They had disappeared.

3:40—Two cars collide at Fort and Quadra. Minor damage. Cons. Strong and Buie reported dog also reported lost.

3:45—Kings road woman resident tells of man molesting young boys. Description secured, but call to police not made until 15 minutes after a person had spoken to him about his conduct. Cons. B. Ferguson and Harwood unable to find man in search.

BOY MISSING—NOISY DOGS

4:00—Fifth Street four-year-old boy reported missing. (Picked up later in Hudson's Bay store and returned home). Two residents of same street at same time, strangely enough, warned to keep their dogs under control in view of a complaint of their noisy canines.

4:35—Accident between two cars at Bay and Shelbourne. No personal injuries, but fairly

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where he might be found. Cons. Hollett and Godsmark found the man had not been there during the day.

8:50—Man reports youths tampering with autos parked on Burnside near Douglas—and also that someone has been throwing rocks on the road in that vicinity. He picked up all the rocks he could find.

8:55—Dets. P. W. Richards and F. Woodburn attended at a lower downtown hotel to try and clear up some money trouble which arose during a drinking party.

9:45—Phone call from B.C. Police reporting an auto collided with guard rail at Goldstream and failed to stay at the scene. Auto will be damaged extensively on left side, no other identification of vehicle available.

(Later, after alert had been sent out on the city police radio system, Cons. F. Colli saw a car with U.S. license parked on Cook Street with damaged rear fender. Thought, this might be the car, but no confirmation in the report.)

10—Car on fire at Yates and Cook. Cons. Hollett and Godsmark attended and found the fire department had the fire out. Minor damage.

11:50—Trouble at Cormorant Street hotel. Family quarrel again. Cons. R. Morris and Hamer attended and advised one of the parties what action could be taken.

SUNDAY MORNING

THE "NOT YET" REPORTS

12:20—"Not for Press"—This comes with some reports which police do not wish published for the moment as it might hinder investigations.

12:40—Foul Bay resident came to station with his wife. Complains that driver of an auto he gave the license number of under influence of liquor. The driver got out of the car, "grabbed hold of my wife and walked on her feet," the husband said.

1:50—Cons. Mottershead reports safe at B.C. Roofers, 715 View Street, open, but premises secure. Also found safe at Walte's Key Shop, 719 View, open. Premises here, too, were secure.

The Bay
Your Friendly Christmas Store

Delivery Schedule For the Holiday Season

All districts will receive deliveries on the usual days, with the following exceptions: No deliveries on December 25 or 26 or January 1.

Wednesday, December 24

Two deliveries on all city routes, plus:

VIEW ROYAL	WILKINSON ROAD	OLEN LAKE
GORDON HEAD	MARICOLD	LUXTON
TEN-MILE POINT	LANGFORD	SABENOS
QUEENSWOOD	COLWOOD	MILNES LANDING
CADBORO BAY	HAPPY VALLEY	ROOKE
CORDOVA BAY	METCHOSIN	OTTER POINT
LAKE HILL	ALBERT HEAD	JORDAN RIVER
BRACEPOOT	WILLIAM HEAD	

No deliveries to any of the above and rural districts on Saturday, December 27.

Wednesday, December 31

One delivery on all city routes, plus:

LANGFORD	ALBERT HEAD	MILNES LANDING
COLWOOD	OLEN LAKE	ROOKE
HAPPY VALLEY	LUXTON	OTTER POINT
METCHOSIN	SABENOS	JORDAN RIVER

After January 1 all districts will receive deliveries as usual.

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Slips to match, regular 18.50 for **6.33**

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Sheer, cob-webby knitted silk vests with ecru lace edging. English Import. Tearose in medium and large sizes. Regular 5.98... **2.49**

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Silk crepe and satin trimmed with lace or fagotting. Also pyjamas included in group. Small, medium and large sizes. Regular 6.98 to 8.50 for... **4.47**

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Excellent to wear around home or for sportswear. Beige shade in sizes 8 1/2 to 10 1/2. Pair... **35c**

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Attractively designed animal figures in clear plastic, combined with colors. Complete with safety catch. (no tax) Each... **50c**

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Small sizes, styled with concealed front, wrap-around or pleats. Green, rose, gold and tan and nailhead trim. Sizes 12 to 16. Regular 5.95, 7.95 and 8.95... **3.98**

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Right for college and career girls... long sleeve pullovers in fine, pure wool. Pretty blue shade only, sizes 32 to 38. Each... **2.98**

BOTANY WOOL SWEATERS

Blouse style with short sleeves and V neckline. Blue and white, fuchsia and grey, red and fuchsia. Sizes 34 to 38... **1.98**

SHEER BLOUSES

Choice of jewelry or jabot neckline with short sleeves. Sizes 12 and 14 only in white, turquoise, pale blue, plain or with nailhead trim. Each... **1.98**

Ready-Made Drapes

Fully lined cotton damask drapes ready to bring new beauty to your home. Green, self-figured pattern... complete with hooks, tie backs. Regular 22.50 pair... **15.95**

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Daintily dressed in silks or cottons. Real hair, movable arms. Regular 2.25, 3.25, 5.50 for... **1.98**

PLASTIC CUSHIONS

Excellent for invalids or sun porches. Pastel shades, washable. Regular 3.25 and 5.75 for... **1.98**

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Daintily designed, useful ornaments. Nice for party prizes or stocking fillers. Regular 69c for... **39c**

STATIONERY SUITCASE

Well stocked with note paper and envelopes... an excellent gift for the school child. Regular 1.25 for... **89c**

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GLASS SHEBBIT 4 for 25c	
WHITE GLASS PLATES 7-inch size. Regular 29c for... 10c	

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Four Of A Kind



Gretchen Frazer of Vancouver, Wash.; Andrea Mead of Rutland, Vt.; Paula Kann of North Conway, N.H.; and Brynhild Grasmoen of Merced, Calif., left to right, the first women members selected for the U.S. Olympic skiing team of 1948, as the numbers indicate, work out at Sun Valley, Ida. The Winter Olympics are to be held at St. Moritz, Switzerland, Jan. 30-Feb. 8.

Chinese Students Rack Up Cage Win Over Art Metals

Chinese Students chalked up their third victory of the season and remained in the running for a playoff berth in the senior B basketball race at the High School gym last night by turning back Island Art Metals, 38 to 26.

Spencers turned in a mild upset in the intermediate B boys' fixture by handing Tillcum's their first setback of the season, 34 to 24. Hepcats defeated Hotshots, 26 to 16, in a junior girls' contest.

FOULS BIG FACTOR

Foul line shooting was an important factor in the contest, Students sinking eight of 16 and Art Metals only managing eight out of 23.

Students led 31 to 23 entering the final quarter. A strong defensive held losers to three points in the final quarter.

Cums moves the department store quintette into a first-place tie with the clubmen.

Tillcum led 11 to 8 at the end of the first quarter but Spencers rallied to go ahead 18 to 16 at the half. Winners maintained their lead through the remainder of the contest, being ahead 26 to 23 at the three-quarter mark.

Field, of Tillcum's, with 15 points, topped scorers of both

teams with Mathews of Tillcum's runner-up with 11 points.

Teams and scores follow:

Island Art Metals—Carson, Lomas, Stewart, 1, Garret, 4, Mitchell, 3, Sprinkling, 4, Masters, 2, Hay, 1, McKay, 5.

Chinese Students—D. Lee, 1, W. Kerr, W. Lee, 2, Z. Derr, 3, Leung, 12, Leung, John, 11, Mar, Fong, 2.

Spencers—Gleason, 1, Rowe, 2, Minnes, 3, Mar, Lewis, 4, Dalman, Field, 15, Griffin, 3.

Tillcum's—Mathews, 11, Davison, Dennis, McGee, 3, Don, McGee, 3, Allan, 3, Robinson, 4, Bentley.

Hepcats—P. Pettigrew, 7, McKay, Boyd, 1, Knowlton, 6, E. Slater, 4, Peterson, 2.

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Barbara Scott To Face Strong Field In World Tourney

DAVOS, Switzerland (AP)—With at least 80 participants entered, the competition in the world figure-skating championships here Feb. 11 to 15 is likely to be tougher than the Olympics themselves.

The world titles for men, women and pairs will be determined in the contests opening here only three days after the winter Olympics at St. Moritz. The European championships are to be held in Prague, Jan. 13 to 15.

The competition in DAVOS is expected to be rugged because the six compulsory figures to be skated by each contestant will not be announced until the night before the competition. The judges select these figures out of 41 possible variations.

In the Olympics, the five figures to be skated already are known, and aspirants can be concentrating their training on those figures.

Defending her title over here will be 19-year-old Barbara Ann Scott of Ottawa, who arrived in London today and is due here this month to begin her final training.

Other well-known skaters expected here are Vrethten Merrill of Boston, four-time United States champion, Daphne Walker, British champion, and Maja Hug of Switzerland.

In the men's division, world champion Hans Gerschwiller, 27-year-old commercial student of Neuchâtel, Switzerland, probably will again meet his toughest competition from 19-year-old Dick Burton of New Jersey, who placed second in the world meet in Stockholm last winter.

Junior Boxing Show Scheduled Tonight

An inter-club boxing show to be staged under the auspices of the Greater Victoria Boxing Association, will take place at Robert House tonight at 8 with 16 bouts listed on the program. North Ward club will be host to the other four clubs of the association. Weight divisions will be from the 70 to the 156-pound class.

Some keen competition is expected from the battlers, some of whom are training for the forthcoming Golden Gloves tourney.

Sooke Cage Teams Defeat Saanichton

Sooke senior B cageurs took the measure of Saanichton Community Club, 40 to 33, in the feature game at Saanichton last night.

Cains of Sooke and Ralph Mitchell of the losers topped the scoring parade, each garnering 12 points.

In the preliminary contest Sooke intermediate boys defeated Saanichton, 19 to 9.

Armed Tops Poll

NEW YORK (AP)—Calumet Farm's Armed, second to Assault in the voting in 1946, this year moved into first place in the poll sponsored by Turf and Sport Digest to determine the horse of the year.

Armed was named for the honor in 151 of the 173 sports and turf writers' casting ballots. Citatin was the choice of eight. Stymlie received seven votes, Bewitch four and Assault three.

Canada's Olympic Hockey Squad Under Fire

Talk Of Rebuilding Or Withdrawing Entry After Crushing Defeat

OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's 1948 Olympic hockey hope, R.C.A.F. Flyers, get a second chance "trial" here tonight and on their showing depends the makeup of the Dominion's entrant in the world amateur hockey arena she once dominated — perhaps whether she'll send a team at all.

As Flyers prepared for an all-out "we'll show 'em" go against Ottawa Army in a senior city game, sports writers and hockey followers were still writing and talking about their 7 to 0 collapse before McGill University Redmen in an exhibition Saturday night. And most of the comment was pretty caustic.

There were suggestions that questions should be asked in Parliament about spending public money for "such stuff as this"; that Flyers just weren't good enough to represent a country considered the cradle of hockey and that perhaps Canada should let the hockey end of the 1948 Olympics go by default.

FAVORS COLLEGIANS

In Montreal last night, Norman Dawes, vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, suggested that Canada be represented at the games by an all-star team picked from college teams across the country.

Dawes is coming to Ottawa tonight to watch Flyers in action. He'll sit with Flyers coach George (Buck) Boueher. After the game, between the two of them and Air Commodore D. E. MacKell, they'll decide what is to be done — whether the team will be polished up as is, will be bolstered with other players perhaps from other service or civilian squads, or will be substituted entirely for a new entry.

There are those—including the players, themselves—who believe the team is capable of a much better showing than they made Saturday night.

R.C.A.F. officials are making no secret of their disappointment since the team fell down in its first public appearance — what was to have been a gala air force show. They readily admit it was only the superior netminding of Cpl. Joe Tunney of Newmarket, Ont., that kept the washout score from being double at least.

GUEST TEAMS OF PAST

Most observers of the 1948 Canadian Olympic hockey hope found it no comparison with previous Canadian Olympic clubs. Canada's hold on Olympic hockey was undisputed until 1936 when

a combined Port Arthur-Montreal rebuilt club lost 2 to 1 to an English team strengthened by Canadian players.

Winnipeg Falcons, first team to represent Canada at the Olympics in 1920 defeated Sweden 12 to 1 and the United States 2 to 0. In 1924 the Granites swept all aside with ease, crushing Czechoslovakia 30 to 0, Sweden 22 to 0, Britain 19 to 2 and the United States 6 to 1.

Varsity Grads also swept all aside in 1928. A combined Winnipeg team in 1932 struggled through two extra games but won out.

Advance Plans For Sports Mirror New Enclosed Park

By PETE SALLAWAY

A committee of Victoria sportsmen, representing four of the major sports organizations in the city, are going ahead with plans to request the city council and the parks board to set aside Savory Park as a parks area.

Savory Park was until recently one of the sites proposed for the new City Hall, but in the recent civic election the electorate favored another site, thus giving the committee the green light in its efforts to have the area made into a sports park.

The committee which represents the Sports Council of Greater Victoria, the Victoria and Y.M.C.A. Track and Field Club, District Softball Association, and the Canadian Football League, held a meeting today to further plans on the much-needed venture.

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Alf Worthington, spokesman for the group, said the aim of the committee is to ask the city council to set the site aside as a park and then request the parks board to grade and seed the grounds so that the park will be available for the football season in 1948.

The committee feels that in so far as Victoria holds the western Canada men's football championship, Esquimalt having won the honor last season, a first-class playing area is needed for the sport in the future.

The track and field athletes would like to see the erection of a cinder track on the premises while the Canadian footballers are interested in order that they may further that sport next season.

FIGHT RESULTS

Brooklyn—Bobby Ruffin, 140, Astoria, N.Y., and Ruby Kessler, 144, Brooklyn, drew (10).

Endress Leads Tacoma To Smart Cage Triumph

double figures and Al Brightman, Seattle player-coach who has averaged better than 18 points a game, picked up but two field goals and a couple of foul shots for six points.

The result failed to change the standings, with Seattle now a full game behind leading Vancouver, followed a half-game back by Tacoma.

Second division teams take over the circuit tonight, with Bellingham trekking to Astoria against the Royal Chinooks.

Teams and scores follow: Tacoma—Katica S, Endress 17, Graf 8, J. Voelker 4, B. Voelker 9, Cross 2.

Seattle—Gilbertson 3, White 5, Kottman, Leask 2, Brightman 6, Watson 5, Price 7, Dalthorp 6.

Test Rugby Match, High School Final Scheduled Here Saturday

Postponed last week because of unsuitable weather conditions the test rugby-match between the Reps and the Rest will be played this Saturday at Macdonald Park at 2.30 it was announced by coach Campbell Forbes today.

Also on the Saturday rugby program at the James Bay enclosure is the second game of the British Columbia high school rugby final between King Edward High School of Vancouver and Oak Bay High School, local titleholders.

King Edward won the first game in Vancouver last week by a score of 12 to 5 and will carry a seven-point margin into the final game of the total-point series here.

The Reps have been holding two workouts weekly since the list of 20 players who will vie for places on the Crimson Tide was announced and present indications point to the locals fielding a strong side for the first of the

JOE ROBBINS, OPERATING

at the centre-forward position since the start of the season, will return to his former role in the left full-back berth with Tommy Druce as his partner. Alan Reside will move from left back to wing half and Joe Travis, formerly on the half line will swing into the forward line at inside left. Nip Sage will take over at the centre-forward berth with Ab Travis going on the reserve list for the time being. Just how the shuffle is going to work out only competition will tell.

CAME ACROSS ANOTHER interesting bit of soccer gossip. In conversation with Chuck Restell, member of the United roster last season, he informed me he had offered his services to Manager Barnes as a relief player and was turned down. "I was willing to turn out for the reserve list, figuring I could be of some value as a relief either on the forward line or at centre-half, but apparently they didn't want me, although Barnes told me on a couple of occasions it had nothing to do with my ability." On the strength of his performances last season Restell would definitely have helped the United. That goes without argument and it would be interesting to know just what reasons were advanced for not taking advantage of his offer.

OUTSIDE of a lot of nice publicity which they can paste in their scrapbooks and one municipal banquet, members of the Esquimalt football team have absolutely nothing to show for their having won the western Canada senior men's championship. It's strictly another case of a group of athletes having brought glory and honor to the city and being ignored. Now the boys are going to put out their own money to purchase suitable jackets while Manager Jim Laekie has dug down to provide funds for the crests. Other localities much smaller than Victoria see fit to pay tribute to their athletic sons but it seems this city would rather just forget.

Sports fans in the city of Winnipeg turned out en masse to honor their Blue Bombers football squad and they returned home losers not victors. Don't forget the Esquimalt players won a title never before lifted by a Victoria club.

McKechnie Cup matches here Boxing Day.

Final selection of the 15 players who will represent the city in the holiday tilt against Vancouver Lions will be made following the match.

Vancouver United To Show Here Saturday

Victoria United, idle since their defeat in the Anderson Cup series by St. Andrews, will open the second half of the Pacific Coast League Soccer schedule Saturday at 2.15 when they tangle with Vancouver United at Athletic Park.

Vancouver United are formerly St. Saviours. In their last start the mainlanders defeated North Shore but lost out to the Reds on the total-goals count in the Anderson Cup series.

BOSTON (AP)—The amazing Ralph Zanelli, 33-year-old battle-scarred Providence, R.I., veteran, Monday turned in just about the most artistic performance of his long career while giving the highly-touted Johnny Greco of Montreal, a lusty two-fisted beating in their 10-round feature boxing bout before 7,501 fans at the Boston Garden. The decision was unanimous.

Spotting Greco, rated as sixth in the welterweight division, seven years and 2½ pounds, Zanelli outsped the Canadian despite his over-aged legs, for six rounds and then out-slugged him the rest of the way. Zanelli weighed 147½ and Greco 150.

Greco Drops Fight To Veteran Zanelli

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—Houston continued to dominate the high scoring list in the United States Hockey League today, with four of its players enrolled among the top seven.

Leading was George Agar with 45, closely pressed by teammate Paul Mundrick, only three points below him.

Leaders follow:

Agar, Houston 45
Mundrick, Houston 43
Rustall, St. Paul 37
McKenzie, Houston 33
Brown, St. Paul 33
Fergie, Minneapolis 34
Macey, Houston 34

SOCCER PRACTICE

Oak Bay senior and intermediate soccer teams will practice at Windsor Park tomorrow night at 7.30.

Semifinal Round Reached In Uplands Junior Golf Tourney

Ronnie McLeod, Einar Brynjolfsson, Hugh Johnston and Roy Clarke moved into the semifinals of the Uplands Golf Club junior championship over the week-end.

McLeod, who took the measure of Grant Craig, 8 and 6, will meet Brynjolfsson, winner over David Lister, 6 and 4, in one section of the semifinals. Johnston is slated to meet Clarke in the other semifinal bracket. Johnston defeated Alex McCabe, 4 and 3, while Clarke took the measure of Tim Reese, 3 and 2.

Semifinal matches must be completed by Dec. 21. Finals will take place Dec. 28. A medal round on full handicap for all eliminated competitors will take place during the competition.

In the seventh turkey competition J. Sparks captured low net honors with a 65. Len Hibberston, E. E. Peden and A. W. Oglewell tied for second-low net with 66's. Don Gowan with a one over par won low gross. Final turkey competitions will take place Saturday and Sunday.

Uplands seniors will hold a Boxing Day competition, open to all seniors of recognized clubs, for the Bapco Cup, it was announced today.

Play will be over 10 holes with the trophy being awarded to the low gross winner.

Entries will be accepted by Tom Whittemore at Uplands Golf Club.

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Four Members Of Honolulu Football Team Out For Life

HONOLULU (AP)—Four star players of the champion Hawaiian Warriors were barred from professional football for life and 10 others were indefinitely suspended Monday for betting on one of their own games.

Rufus Klawns, of San Francisco, commissioner of the Pacific Coast Professional Football League, announced his action after interviewing the men involved in a \$6,700 betting pool on the game in which they won the league title from the Los Angeles Bulldogs, 7 to 6.

Although they won the game, the bettors lost most of their money by giving up to 15 points. The players were fined a total of \$673 in court Saturday on charges of betting on an athletic contest.

Klawns said he had talked to all the players involved and "they have admitted their guilt."

Even though they bet only on themselves, Klawns said their

Spahn, Jansen Set Up Great Pitching Marks

NEW YORK (AP)—Warren Spahn, 25-year-old Boston Braves' ace lefthander, topped National League pitchers with an earned-run average of 2.33 for the 1947 season, official averages released today showed.

Rookie Larry Jansen of New York Giants boasted the best won and lost percentage of .808 in 21 wins and only five defeats.

Spahn was one of the five 20-game winners in the league. His strike-out total, 123, far surpassed his walks, 84.

The most-talked-about pitcher was Ewell Blackwell of Cincinnati, whose earned-run average of 2.47 was good for second place behind Spahn. Blackwell was the top winner with his 22-8 season, including a 16-game streak that was the best a right-hander had compiled in modern days in the National League.

Blackwell's buggy-whip delivery gave him the strike-out title with 193 victims. He also worked the most complete games, 23, and conduct brought "disrepute upon the game of professional football."

Johnny Sain of Boston, whose 21-12 performance gave the Braves two men in the 20-game class, was 11th in the earned-run standings.

Walcott Gets Hand From Toronto Crowd

TORONTO (CP)—Fast-stepping Joey Brown, 134½, classy New Orleans negro boxer, scored a knockout over Toronto's Joey Bagnato, 136, in one minute and 55 seconds of the first round of an eight-round lightweight main bout here Monday.

Jersey Joe Walcott refereed the eight-round middleweight semifinal in which punching Pete Zaduk, 154, of Guelph, Ont., drew an easy decision over Bruce Richardson, 153, of Toronto.

Walcott, the Camden, New Jersey battler who surprised the boxing world with his showing against world heavyweight champion Joe Louis 10 days ago, received a tremendous ovation from the crowd of some 4,900.

Edmonton Flyers Turn Back Regina

EDMONTON (CP)—Before a capacity crowd of more than 6,000 fans—who turned out hoping for a repetition of the 12 to 6 thumping the home club handed Calgary Stampede Saturday—Edmonton Flyers of the Western Canada Senior Hockey League nosed out Regina Capital 7 to 6 here Monday night to tie Lethbridge Maple Leafs for second place in the league standings.

Louis Must Reduce His Golf Schedule

DETROIT (AP)—Joe Louis is going to cut down on golf. An order to govern the heavyweight champion's daily routine henceforth was disclosed today by his manager, John Roxborough, on arrival from New York.

Joe, an ardent golfer, is on the courses wherever he happens to be, from early morning until dusk. But those days are over until he's through with the prize ring, Roxborough said.

"We just figured he was playing too much and we've asked him to cut down."

41-Year-Old Stack Leaves For Olympic Skating Meet

WINNIPEG (CP)—When Winnipeg's Frank Stack, Canada's senior speed skating champion, and runner-up Gordon Audley step aboard a train tonight they will be the first western Canadians to start the long jaunt to Switzerland and the biggest prize of all for amateurs—the 1948 Olympic Games.

Stack, a name synonymous with top-ranking blade artists for more than a quarter of a century, and Audley, an up-and-coming 19-year-old youngster, will form half of Canada's speed-skating representatives at the Olympic Winter Games. The two others, Ab Hardy of Edmonton and Craig McKay of Saskatoon, are expected to leave shortly.

Having raised the necessary funds to send the two Winnipeg stars to Switzerland, the Manitoba Speed Skating Association is giving them the opportunity to practice and acclimatize themselves at the site of the games.

BRILLIANT RECORD

The smooth-skating Stack, now 41, still shows his old-time style in wrapping up more championships and adding to the 500-odd medals and trophies piled up during his long career.

Manitoba-Lakehead Boast Three Possible Hockey Titleholders

WINNIPEG (CP)—Three teams—two junior and one senior—loom as potential champions on the Manitoba-Thunder Bay hockey front these days and, although Memorial and Allan Cup playdown time is still far off, predictions are already being made.

The loudest of these come from the Lakehead, where the Port Arthur West End Bruins of the Thunder Bay Junior League are regarded as a definite Memorial Cup threat.

Bruins boast seven exhibition victories to their credit this year over western teams, including two over Moose Jaw Canucks, last year's Memorial Cup finalists.

Bruins are also undefeated in their own circuit. Regular league play at the Lakehead hasn't started yet, but in the pre-season Rory McLeod memorial trophy tournament they have won all five games played so far.

The Bruins' only loss has been a 15 to 3 defeat in an exhibition game with the senior Port Arthur Bearcats. Actual strength of Bearcats, despite their emphatic win, is not known. Since the senior season has not started yet at the Lakehead, for the third straight year Port Arthur and Port William are the only two teams in the Thunder Bay senior loop.

CLASS OF WINNIPEG

Second of the three teams credited with being of championship calibre comes from the Manitoba-Junior Hockey League. Winnipeg Monarchs, currently leading the circuit with 12 points, are showing increasing strength as the season progresses. They have won five and tied two of their nine league games played. Monarchs, incidentally, lost to Port Arthur West End Bruins in one of the latter's exhibition games near the start of the hockey season, but their play has shown improvement since then.

Third of the "big three" clubs are Winnipeg Flyers of the Manitoba Senior League. The Flyers, defeated last year in the western Canada senior finals by Calgary Stampede, have won all six league games played this season.

No Decision Yet On Teachers' Dispute

Greater Victoria School Board hopes to reach a decision Wednesday on whether or not it will accept arbitration as a method of settling the current dispute on teachers' salary schedules, Chairman Austin I. Curtis, said today.

Following the school board meeting Monday evening the board discussed the teachers' requests for full recognition for time spent teaching in B.C. schools outside Victoria, for almost an hour and a half in committee, Mr. Curtis said. No decision was reached and the meeting will continue Wednesday evening.

RAIN HALTS CRICKET

SYDNEY (Reuters)—With the pitch waterlogged after heavy rain, no play was possible today in the second cricket test match between Australia and India.

There has been no play since Saturday, when India scored 188 runs in their first innings and Australia replied with 28 for the loss of one wicket before the day's play ended.

Continual practice is another Stack "must." This year, when he couldn't find a rink to skate on, despite the many sheets of ice around the city, Stack turned to frozen-over sloughs and ponds. Unfavorable weather conditions finally halted these workouts.

Stack has the experience of one Olympics under his belt, having represented Canada at the 1932 games at Lake Placid.

Hardy, 32-year-old veteran, is a former North American and western Canada champion. He also won the Chicago Silver Skates title in 1936. At some time or other he has established every record in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

McKay, 20-year-old native of Banff, Alta., is holder of the Canadian three-mile skating crown. Other championships held by him include the Alberta senior one-mile, Saskatchewan senior (closed), Saskatchewan senior indoors and the Saskatoon crowns.

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B.C. Party To Map Highway Route Through U.S. Area

Works Minister E. C. Carson reported today that arrangements had been made at a meeting in Seattle last week to put B.C. works department surveyors in the field in Washington state next spring to map out the route of the proposed Victory Highway to link Cascade and Paterson.

For years the provincial works department has been seeking a route through Washington state to build a road to link the two B.C. cities, the present all-B.C. route being unsatisfactory for a modern highway without expenditures of huge sums. Mr. Carson has estimated that the provincial government could save more than \$2,000,000 by building the highway through U.S. territory.

The agreement reached in Seattle last week is a step toward realization of the provincial works department plans. Approval of the construction of the highway will have to come through negotiations on the highest diplomatic level at Ottawa and Washington, D.C.

It is suggested that Canada receive a 99-year lease of the highway right of way, rather than have the territory ceded outright, but alternative plans will

be discussed when the route of the road has been determined.

The proposed new highway will become part of the southern Transprovincial Highway.

Mr. Carson said that by building the highway through U.S. territory the highest point to be crossed would be 2,800 and the cost would be about \$1,500,000. Construction of the road through B.C. territory would cost an estimated \$4,000,000 and summits 5,400 feet and 4,400 feet would have to be crossed.

The proposed route of the highway is mostly in U.S. national forest reserve and representatives of this service attended the Seattle meeting.

It is possible the province may have to purchase a few parcels of privately held land to get the right of way. There are practically no residents living within the pocket which would be created if the road were built.

Little Hope For Bureau Quarters

Little hope that the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau would be housed in the Belmont Building in the near future was held out by C. F. Dawson, district engineer, in a letter to Mayor Percy George today.

Mr. Dawson said he had no intimation that the prosthetic services would be moved to the new veterans' hospital, and the D.V.A. knows nothing of the proposed move either. He insisted that it is necessary to have ground floor space for the use of the 320 disabled men, 10 of them double amputation cases, to get to the workshop for repairs to their prosthetic devices. The veterans' hospital, Mr. Dawson said, would not be a satisfactory location.

He promised, however, "When space is available and not required for government services, we will immediately get in touch with the secretary of the Publicity Bureau."

However, he further qualified this by saying he was trying to relocate government offices now housed in the old post office building, as the tenants have been notified they must move by Jan. 15, and he still needs space for the National Film Board.

Hamilton Refutes Charges Made On Arena Delays

A strongly worded refutation of many of the charges made by G. H. Wheaton regarding the many delays in the construction of the Memorial Arena was made today by Charles T. Hamilton, consulting engineer, in a letter to Mayor Percy George.

Mr. Hamilton insisted that he knew nothing of any warning from Victoria builders that the contract should be let all at one time, as his information "was to the effect that the Victoria contractors would not submit a bid on the reinforced concrete shell roof and that it would be advisable to break the construction into three parts as they could then figure on the first and last parts."

He conceded that it would be more desirable to have let one contract and it would not have meant much delay in getting the actual work started.

Mr. Hamilton detailed many of the construction and grade difficulties met with between himself and Mr. Wheaton in the making of the excavations for the footing and placing them in. He also pointed out that, regarding the time element, Mr. Wheaton himself had signed the contract which called for completion of the excavations and footings within 10 weeks.

After setting out a detailed account of certain specific delays encountered, Mr. Hamilton stated "there is no question whatsoever about where the responsibility lies for the great delay in completing this structure and Mr. Wheaton's firm is responsible for a large part of it."

He regarded as "presumptuous" Mr. Wheaton's statement that 100 days was an impossible period for the completion of the roof, because the contracting firm, Bennett and White should be able to make their own explanations for the delay.

Mr. Hamilton declared it has always been his knowledge and belief that the arena committee intended to let the balance of the construction work in the next tender.

Regarding his statement about costs, where at a luncheon speech he estimated it might cost up to \$458,000, Mr. Hamilton insisted he had stated only that he believed this cost would not be exceeded. "As yet I have not seen the architect's final plans and specifications for the balance of the work," he declared, "and therefore am in no position to hazard other than a guess as to the final cost."

Commercial Travelers Hold Christmas Party



Members of U.C.T.'s new Glee Club, left to right: E. G. Rowebottom, Dave Thorburn, Sherry Bayliss, W. A. Bayliss, Pat Sutherland, Hughie Goulbourne, Jack Cooper, Mrs. L. McClellan, Sid Phillips, Mrs. W. A. Bayliss, Fred Arnott, Pat Bayliss, Mrs. J. Cooper, Dr. C. B. Mess, Mrs. Jack Jones, Fred Faunch.

Two hundred and fifty members of the United Commercial Travelers and their friends and families gathered in the Crystal Garden Monday night for their annual Christmas party. A feature of the entertainment, which was arranged by a committee

headed by W. A. Bayliss, was the first appearance of the Travelers' Glee Club. The club sang Christmas carols and presented a tableau of "The Night Before Christmas," with E. G. Rowebottom as narrator.

Jack Cooper appeared as Santa Claus and Hughie Goulbourne was master of ceremonies. Al Smith presided at the piano.

The travelers danced until midnight and participated in the drawing for many prizes. Refreshments were served.

1946 Average Weekly Earnings Of B.C. Workers At All-Time High

The provincial labor department, reviewing wages for 1946, today reported the average weekly wage figure for all adult male wage-earners at \$38.87, an increase of \$1.37 over the preceding year and the highest recorded since the formation of the department 29 years ago.

"The decline in heavy production from record heights established during the war years, while still in effect to some degree, was rapidly being overcome by increasing industrial activity, stimulated by the demands for a peacetime economy," said the annual departmental report.

With the balance favorable in the promise of a future prosperity, B.C.'s 1946 provincial estimated payroll totaled \$403,161,610, an apparent increase of \$19,461,610 over the final estimated total of \$383,700,000 for 1945, the report continued.

Average weekly earnings continued in strength throughout the year with increases recorded in the average in 20 of 25 tables in this report.

Greatest increase was in the construction industry (up by \$7,500,000) followed by the lumber industry (up \$5,000,000), and food products manufacturing (up by more than \$3,500,000).

The greatest decrease was recorded by the shipbuilding industry which declined some \$27,500,000 from the previous year.

Employment totals continued to increase in those industries prospering normally following reversion to peacetime production, said the report. "Expansion programs designed to overcome the demands created by wartime shortages brought added employment in the construction industries, food products manu-

facturing, and the lumber industries. The average monthly employment high for all industries in 1946 was 130,631 in August of that year, compared with a high of 132,220 recorded in July of 1945."

Average weekly hours of work dropped sharply during the year in most industries, the average weekly working-hours for all employees decreasing to 43.63 as against 45.39 for the previous year. Provincial legislation effecting a 44-hour general work week to replace the 48-hour week came into effect during 1946 on July 1.

The year noted an increase in the number of firms reporting payrolls in excess of \$100,000, bringing to the total to 475, compared with 449 for the previous year.

Two firms had payrolls in excess of \$5,000,000, four between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000, five between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000, and nine between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000, and 17 between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000.

Continuing in the lead, the lumber industry again showed the greatest number of firms in the larger payroll group, with a total of 117, decrease of four from the previous year.

Official Request Wanted For Gown Exhibit In Canada

The request that Mayor Percy George's suggestion to have Princess Elizabeth's wedding gown displayed to raise funds for food for Britain be put in more official form has come from Canadian High Commissioner Norman Robertson in London.

W. A. McAdam, Agent-General for B.C., has written Mayor George further, quoting a letter from Mr. Robertson. Mr. Robertson said, "The suggestion raises issues of nationwide interest which should be considered in the first instance by the appropriate Canadian authorities. I am sure you will appreciate that it would be difficult to put forward the suggestion here except in a more concrete and official form."

Mr. McAdam suggested the mayor work through the Department of External Affairs in Ottawa, and Mayor George said he would follow the matter through. Mr. McAdam enclosed an English newspaper clipping which said that Princess Elizabeth would have no objection to having her wedding dress copied for exhibition both in Great Britain and the Dominions.

School Board Meets City Finance Group

Members of the Greater Victoria School Board consulted with the city finance committee this morning on the costs of the new schools approved in the by-law last June, and whether they would be able to stay within the budget.

Ald. Edward Williams, chairman of the finance committee, said they were concerned over rising building costs, but could form no policy on the matter until the first tenders had been received early in January. No plans are being made to issue bonds until the tenders have been agreed upon.

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Stockers To Build \$65,000 Warehouse

A building permit was issued Stocker's Ltd. today for construction of a \$65,000 warehouse building at Government and Princess Streets.

D. C. Frame is the architect and W. Revercomb the contractor. The building will be of reinforced concrete, two stories high and constructed in such a way that additions can be made later, as needed.

The plan is to consolidate the business of Stocker's Security Storage and Warehouse Ltd. and Stocker's Transfer Co. Ltd. under one roof, company officials explained, instead of having it scattered in three buildings as at present.

A building permit was also issued to C. F. Butler to build a four-room house at 1922 Ash Street, costing \$5,400.

Y.M.C.A. Worker Dies

Arthur Owen Hughes, who was identified with Y.M.C.A. work and Boy Scouts' organization in Victoria from 1908 to 1913, died Monday in Los Angeles, Calif.

A native of London, Eng., Mr. Hughes served with the C.A. M.C. in the First World War.

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Second Victoria U-drive Car Found Sold In Vancouver

City police were informed today by George W. Du Temple that the 1947 car owned by the Pontiac U-Drive Company at Davis Motors Ltd., which was rented by a man on Oct. 29, has been found to have been re-registered and sold in Vancouver.

A 1946 model car owned by the Sylvester U-Drive Co. Ltd., and another vehicle, the property of a Nanaimo drive-yourself firm, met a similar fate, the Victoria car being sold in Nanaimo and the Nanaimo vehicle sold in Vancouver.

Municipal and provincial police have a warrant out for Robert L. Anderson, who is alleged to have rented the three cars which were never returned to the owners.

The Pontiac was found to have been purchased by Smith Auto Sales in North Vancouver and then sold to Clarence Pugh, 259 East 6th Avenue, North Vancouver.

Strike Time Loss Greatest In 1946

More time was lost in strikes in British Columbia during 1946 than any year since a tabulation has been made by the provincial labor department in 1933.

The annual report of the department showed today that total time lost by strikes and lockouts in 1946 was 1,294,174 working days. During the year there were 21 strikes involving 40,014 employees, 524 employers.

The greatest strike in man-days lost was that of the woodworkers during May and June. Involved in this dispute were 419 employers, 35,106 employees. Time lost totaled 1,100,529 man-days.

Second biggest loss was in the metal mining industry. Seventeen employers employing 2,239 workmen, lost 150,387 man-days. Coal mining strike involved two employers and 1,400 men and lasted only one day.

The greatest time loss for any year during the 10 previous years was in 1936, when 75,311 man-days were lost to strikes and lockouts, the department said.

November Sales Slump In Victoria

After a brief upsurge of property sales in Victoria during October, figures released for November from the assessor-collector's office, show a decided slump, marking the trend which has continued since May, 1946.

There were 154 property sales during November, valued at \$885,126 in the city, compared with 240 sales during October, \$1,350,277; and 216 sales in November, 1946, valued at \$1,151,066.

There were 70 transfers of property completed during November, \$252,516; and 28 wills probated for \$77,492. Total transactions for the month were 252, valued at \$1,215,134.

The meteorological station on Gonzales Hill today predicted strong winds for Wednesday. Weather forecasters said that winds, light northeasterly today, would shift to the southwest and increase to 25 miles an hour this afternoon. Continuing from the southwest, they would increase to 35 miles per hour Wednesday, the observatory reported.

Seek Saanich Boy Missing For Month

Saanich police today asked the public to co-operate if they know the whereabouts of William Berks, 14½-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Berks, 1405 Harrop Road, who has been missing from his home for a month.

The missing boy is believed to be somewhere on the lower island and his parents are anxious to have him home, especially with the Christmas season approaching. Anyone having information is asked to communicate with juvenile officer Bert Pearson or other members of the Saanich police.

William is described as being five feet six inches tall, 125 pounds, has fair hair, blue eyes and a rosy complexion with freckles. When he left home he was wearing grey tweed pants, blue shirt and tie, dark fawn sweater with a V-neck, maroon jacket interwoven with grey with a zippered front.

View Royal Seeks Fire Protection

Immediate steps by the Community Association to ensure adequate fire protection for the district, was sought by View Royal Ratepayers Monday, as a second home in two weeks caught fire Sunday evening about 5, and was only kept from becoming a total loss by a neighbor noticing the flames breaking through the roof.

The house, owned by W. D. McColl, 287 View Royal Avenue, is near completion. According to report, Constable J. Lockie of the Provincial Police, telephoned the naval station at Esquimalt for assistance without avail.

The blaze was eventually put under control through the help of 10 citizens playing water on the roof from garden hose. H. B. Stevens, president of the View Royal Community Association said.

"The fire protection committee of the association, appointed last August, has completed its report and will present it to the ratepayers at their regular meeting in January," Mr. Stevens said.

New Crew Members

Thirty new crew members for Ss. Seaboard Pioneer, undergoing annual overhaul at Yarrow's Ltd., will arrive here Thursday afternoon. Ken Briggs of King Bros. Ltd., shipping agents, reported today. Total crew of the freighter will be 42.

St. John's Victory sailed overnight with 452,000 feet of lumber for Holland. Two other ships are due shortly to load lumber for the United Kingdom. They are the Canadian freighter, Lake Manitou, due Dec. 22, and the British freighter, Fort Souris, due Dec. 29.

Owner Of Trunk Sought By Police

At the city police station is a large grey trunk with blue straps or bands with a tag bearing "F. P. Ouellet, Levis, P.Q." which was delivered to Hyman Kramer, 139 Cook Street, Dec. 13, and is not his property. Police want to contact the rightful owner or the person who delivered it.

Limited Supplies Of Jap Oranges Selling Out Fast

The first shipment of Jap oranges to reach Victoria since before the war arrived in Victoria Saturday and a second shipment reached here Monday. Wholesalers wasted no time in getting the fruit to market and today stores report supplies of the oranges are practically gone.

From indications given by store clerks today it would seem the Japs have once again taken over as the Christmas orange from the American-grown tangerine, its wartime replacement.

"We only got the Japs in the other day, but they are nearly all gone," one clerk remarked.

One store, with both Jap and tangerine oranges on sale, reported the Jap oranges were moving considerably faster than the American variety. The Jap oranges are selling in this store at \$1.84 a case—there being four and a half dozen oranges to a case, the price per dozen being 44 cents. The tangerines are selling at 45 cents a dozen.

Store clerks, questioned as to the public's reaction to buying the produce of Canada's wartime enemy, said they had heard no resentful comment. "They seem to prefer the Jap oranges to other kinds," one clerk said.

Officers Elected By Ward 1 Liberals

At the well attended annual meeting of Ward 1 Liberal Association the following officers for 1948 were elected:

Honorary president, Byron Johnson; honorary vice-president, J. Burns; president, Joshua Smith; vice-president, E. M. Briggs; treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Joyce; secretary, W. J. Latta; ward executives, D. Casilio, J. Burns, Mrs. A. C. Ross, Mrs. K. Orchin, J. Rhodes, Mrs. J. B. Joyce, E. M. Briggs and T. Allan; central executive, Mrs. J. B. Joyce and Mrs. E. M. Briggs.

The meeting was addressed by Capt. J. D. Proudfoot, who urged support for the new leader.

Court Action Over Gabriola Land Sale

A case involving \$2,446, which Claude Francis, 1333 Fort Street, plaintiff claims is the unpaid balance of an agreed purchase price of \$3,500 for land and premises on Gabriola Island, opened in Supreme Court today.

Defendant in the action is Robert Pilcher, retired, who resides at Gabriola.

In his statement of claim, Mr. Francis, who is a Victoria garage owner, stated that after an oral agreement with regard to the sale and payment of \$1,054, the defendant took possession of the lands and premises in question on March 10, with the undertaking to pay the balance by March 29.

Mr. Francis further claimed that the defendant refused to pay the balance. W. Berkeley Monteith represents Mr. Francis. Leighton & Meakin are solicitors for Mr. Pilcher.

The Business and Professional Women's Club today sent Mayor Percy George a cheque for \$100 for the Mayor's Fund for parcels for Britain, proceeds from a concert held recently.

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Trustee Deplores Public Indifference To School Affairs

Public apathy towards the work of the Greater Victoria School Board is perhaps due to the fact so much of the board's work is done in committee and consequent publicity is only on the more prosaic routine of the board's work, Trustee Arnold Edmonds, Saanich, told the school board Monday evening.

Mr. Edmonds, who has been chairman of the board's publicity committee, said "I have felt for several years that as a board, or as individual board members, we do not receive the attention, or publicity . . . if you will . . . that should go with an administration which in effect controls and is responsible for a sum of money the equal of the total amount of taxation raised in the municipalities combined . . . almost \$1,500,000.

"The constructive work done by this board seems to me to warrant some publicity and recognition. Yet a single error or a miscalculated motion raises a terrific furore.

'COMPLETELY APATHETIC'

"The public seems completely apathetic to the board's work, with its subsequent result to education, unless it looks as if the mill rate might go up and then we are prolific spendthrifts in spite of our efforts to keep the budget down whilst costs continue to rise.

"Even our building by-law addresses emphasized this apathy. In one Legion hall, half of the audience left at 9.50 . . . 10 minutes short of closing, and our message was not as dry as all that.

"At a ward meeting last week, 18 out of 24 left after their constituents had spoken and Mr. Jeune and I spoke to six people in a ward with a potential 2,200 votes.

"I think, Mr. Chairman, that the public is not familiar with the board's work and perhaps its lack of interest is due to the fact that much of our work is done in committee and the press, consequently, only publishes prosaic routine and 'scoops' for the rest.

"I would ask the board to reconsider this policy.

"We have shown that a Greater Victoria School Board can function in the interests of all without prejudice or bias toward the municipalities and districts involved. We have done nothing for which we should be condemned, but it is very discouraging to witness the continued apathy toward school board work in Greater Victoria."

Tass News Agency Blames Westerners As Meeting Fails

MOSCOW (AP) — A dispatch from London by Tass, the Russian news agency, today blamed the breakdown of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' conference on the western powers' efforts "to hamper international co-operation in the cause of establishing postwar peace."

The dispatch said State Secretary Marshall proposed "that the session adjourn without indicating the next meeting date."

(Persons present at the last session Monday night said none of the four ministers present, the Russian included, made any suggestion as to the time and place of any future Big Four session.)

"The representatives of the United States and Britain unwittingly exposed themselves in the unbecoming role of forces who are hampering international co-operation," Tass said.

The dispatch repeated the oft-made Russian charge that there is a prearranged American plan, in which Britain and France have agreed to take part, to separate western Germany from the rest of the country.

"It is significant," Tass said, "that the London press wrote openly during the session about American-Anglo preparations based on the presumed failure of the session."

The dispatch added that "the statements of Mr. Bevin and Mr. Marshall . . . teemed with crude exaggerations and distortions," while Molotov's final summation "showed who was in actual fact responsible for the work not having been crowned with success."

Mate Vanishes At Sea

SEATTLE (AP) — The American Mail Line here revealed it had received a message Monday from the master of the steamship Edward Everett, en route from Honolulu to Korea, that Third Mate Fred P. Johnston of Tacoma had disappeared at sea shortly after the vessel left Honolulu. It had no other details.

Parliament Approves Government Move To Extend Control Powers

OTTAWA (CP) — The Commons climaxed three days of debate Monday night by adopting a government resolution for a three-months extension of wartime control powers, due to expire Dec. 31, and turned to another measure to continue the authority of government food purchasing boards.

Running through the long, and at times spiritless, debate on emergency powers was a threat of opposition criticism of the government's decontrol program and its recent removal of feed grain subsidies. The discussion concluded with two government members joining the call for continuation of control policies.

WOULD RESTORE CEILINGS

The Liberal speakers were Bona Arseneault, Bonaventure, Que., and Dr. P. F. Gauthier, Portneuf, Que., who urged the government reimpose price ceilings on food and coarse grains.

Specifically, the debate was on a resolution for extension to March 31 of the National Emergency Transitional Powers Act, which gives force to price and other controls still in effect. Later, the government will introduce separate bills for the

planned to do about increases in the allowances and pensions of ex-servicemen.

He also would want to hear details of the plan to increase returns to farmers for their livestock products.

He suggested the establishment of a prices spread board might assist in curbing the rising price line.

The Senate approved the control resolution after hearing Senator John T. Haig, Progressive Conservative leader, charge the government's control policy was a "police administration" and that the sooner controls were abolished the sooner Canada would "get back on an even keel."

BACKMORE'S VIEWS
— During discussion of the first resolution John Blackmore, S.C., Lethbridge, Alta., said the government was moving in the wrong direction when it removed subsidies from food and farm products.

If the government persisted in the removal of subsidies, it would drive the country into a ditch that it would never get out of.

William Bryce, C.C.F., Selkirk, Man., said he had telegrams from his constituents urging the government remove its restrictions on the importation of fruits and vegetables needed for healthful diet.

URGE BIGGER ALLOWANCES

J. L. Gibson, Ind., Comox-Alberni, said that before the House adjourned he would like to hear what the government

Speed-up Sought In Victoria Air Links

VANCOUVER (CP) — The city council will seek faster airline service between Vancouver and Victoria, it was decided at a meeting Monday.

Objection was raised to the time-consuming drive to the airports in both cities.

Ald. Charles Thompson, airport committee chairman, suggested the matter be taken up with Trans-Canada Airlines, suggesting seaplanes could give better service to both cities.

Airport Manager William Templeton said, however, that harbor laws prohibited seaplane traffic. Because of plane accidents in the harbor in the past, air traffic was moved to Sea Island here.

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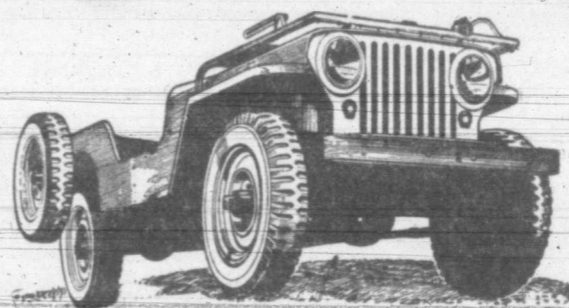
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